

Indirect detection of long-lived particles via a less-simplified dark Higgs portal

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KJ, L. Roszkowski and S. Trojanowski, 2111.xxxxx

Outline

1. Motivation

- WIMPs and complementary searches for them
- Intensity frontier - searches for long lived particles (LLPs)

2. *ID of LLPs within non-minimal dark Higgs-dark photon portal*

- phenomenology of the model
- ID of LLPs formalism and main effects
- complementarity of searches

3. Conclusions

Motivation

Physics Beyond the Standard Model

*SM is **not** a complete description of Nature:*

- **Dark matter** candidate is missing:

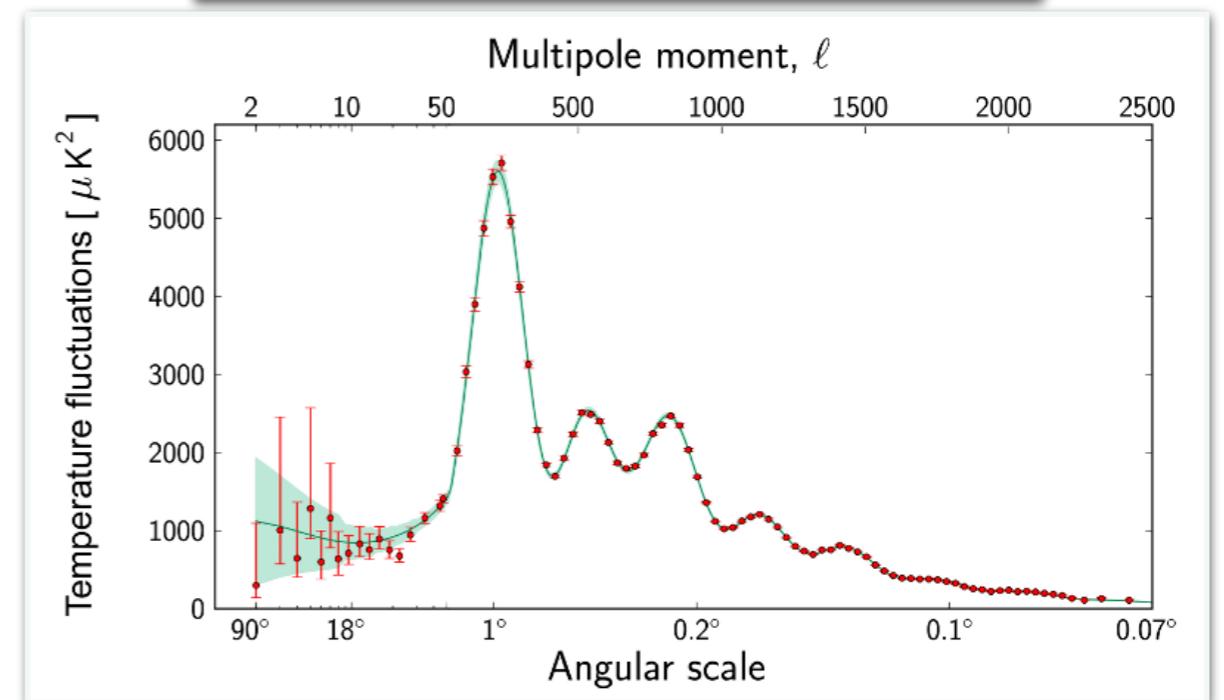
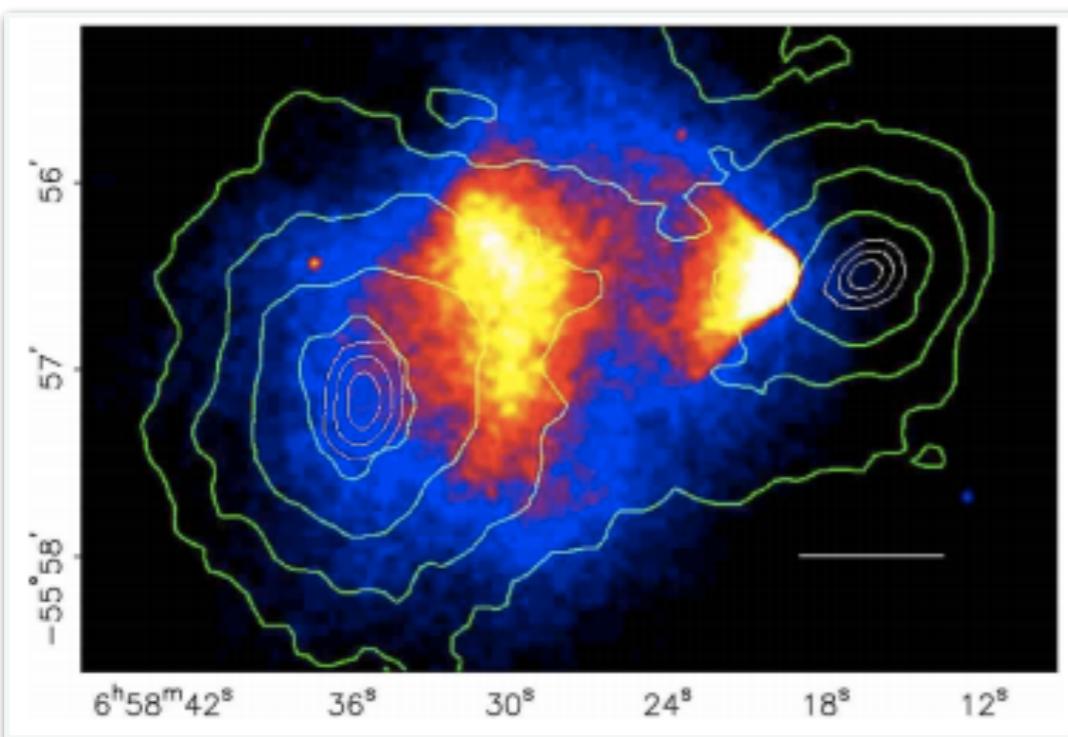
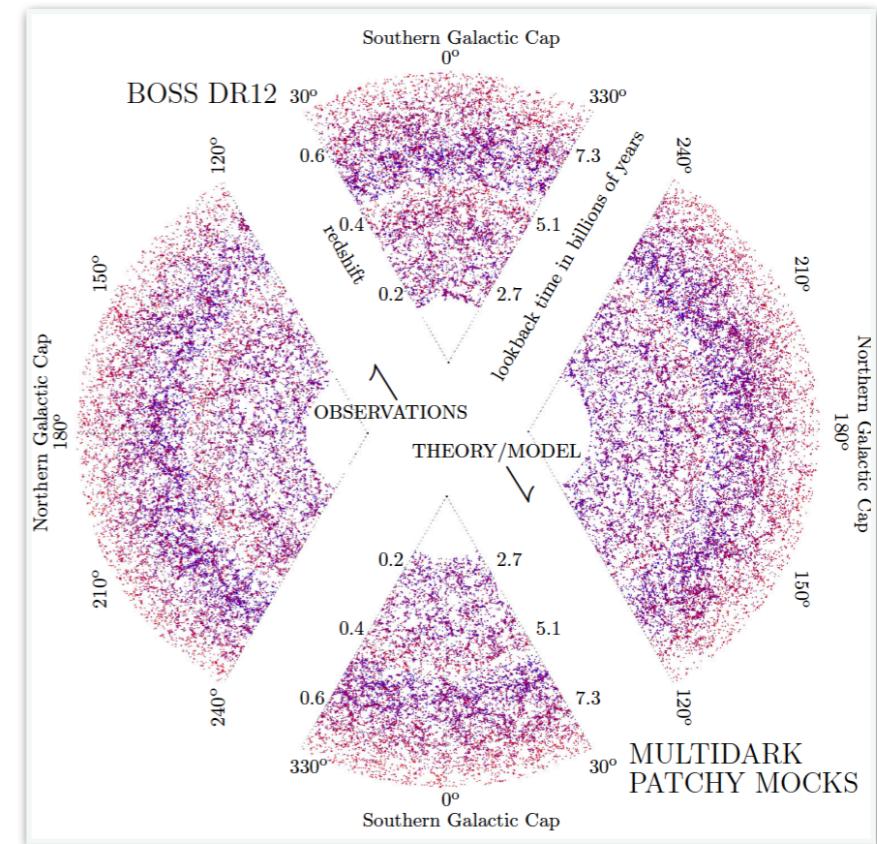
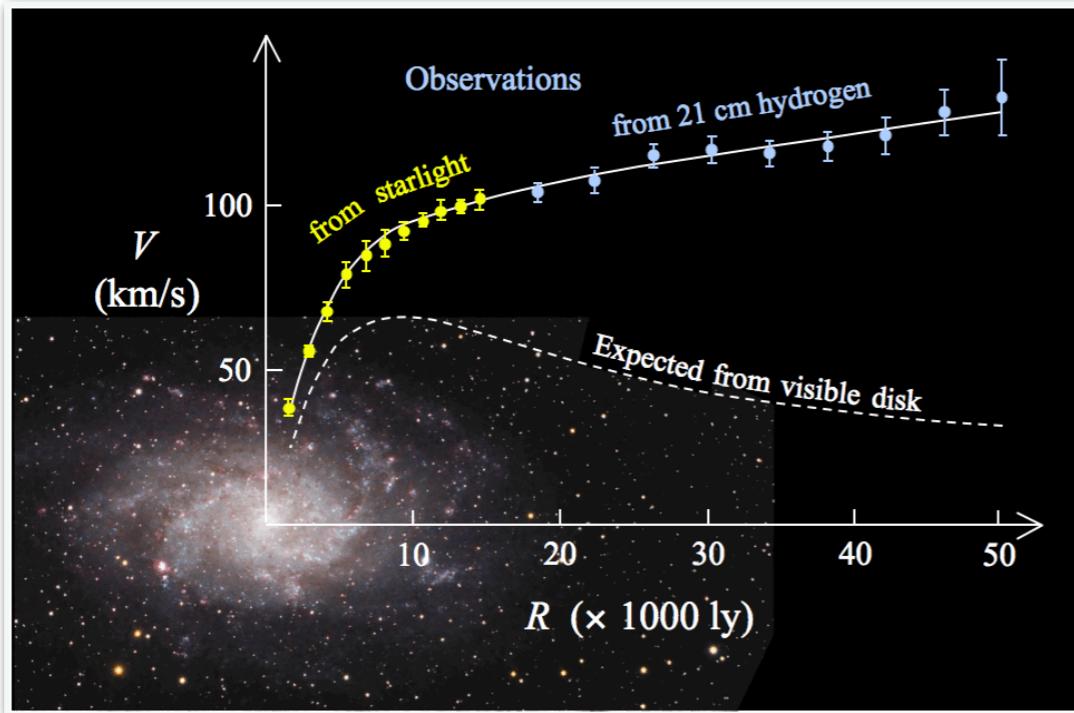
Neutrinos are massive, weakly interacting, however $1.6\% > \frac{\Omega_\nu}{\Omega_{\text{DM}}} > 0.5\%$ (CMB & LSS)

- Neutrino masses
- Hierarchy problem
- Baryogenesis
- Quantum gravity
- ...

Physics BSM can take many forms - from minimal extensions to many hidden (dark) sectors.

Dark Matter in the Universe

Evidence on *multiple scales* due to gravitational interactions:

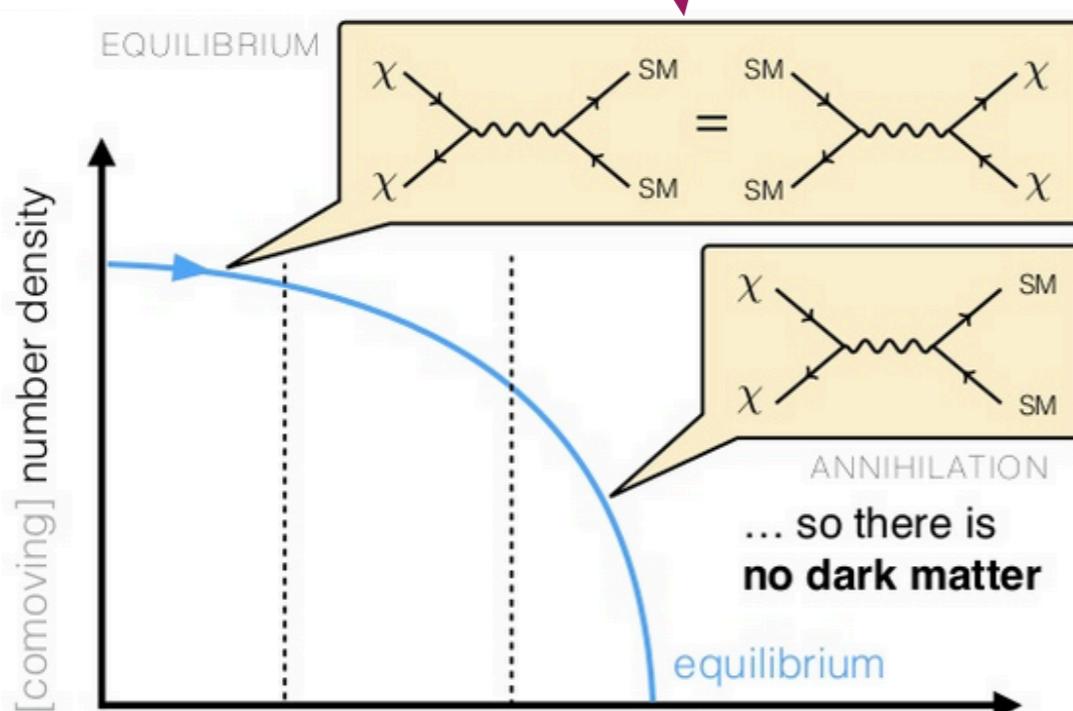


Thermal DM benchmark - WIMP

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Lee, Weinberg '77,
Dolgov, Zeldovich '70s



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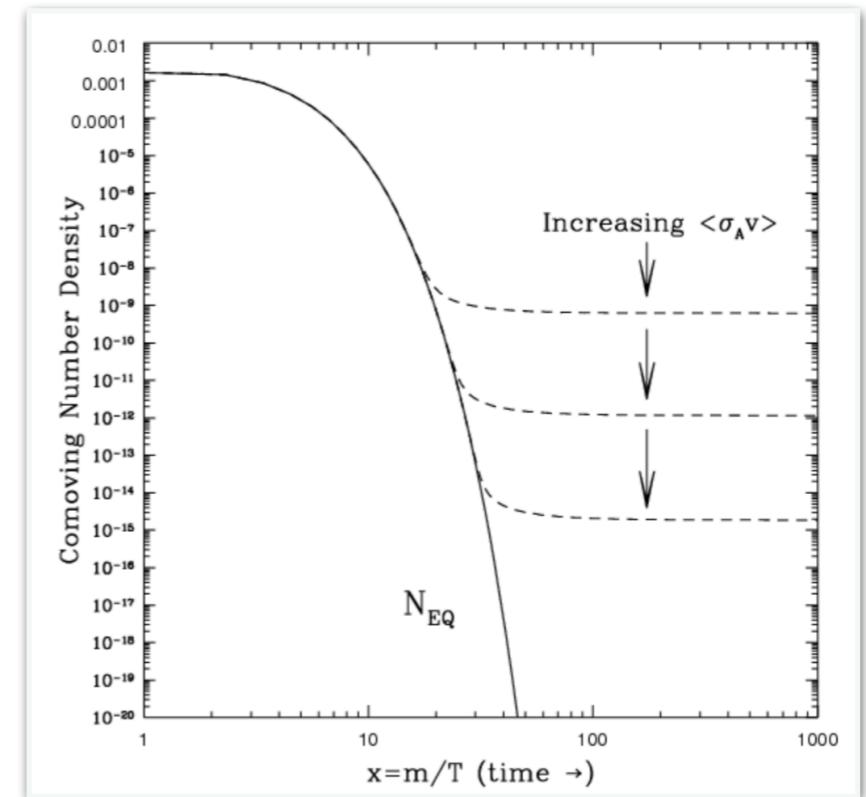
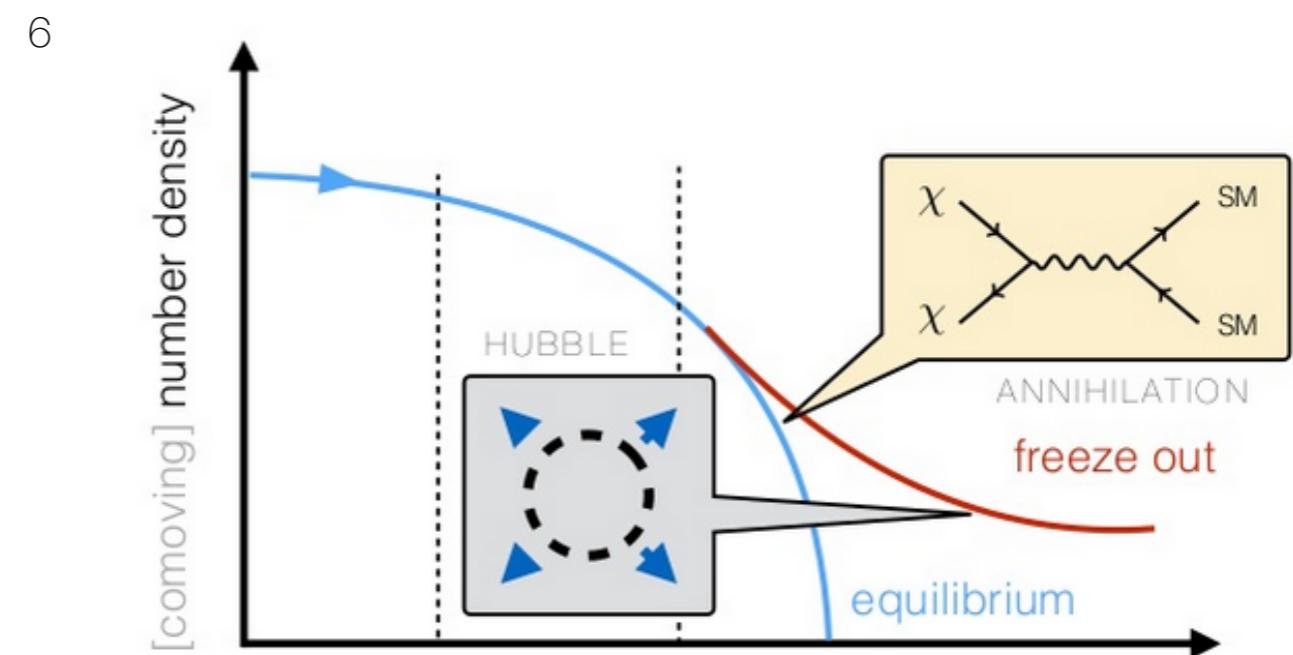
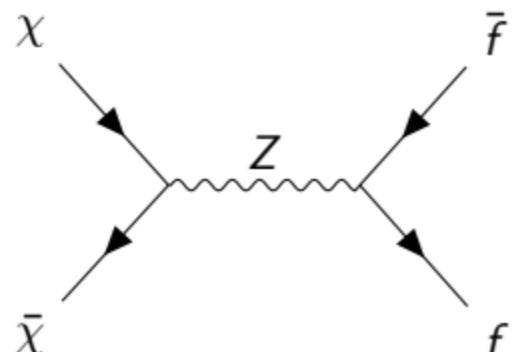


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Looking for WIMPs

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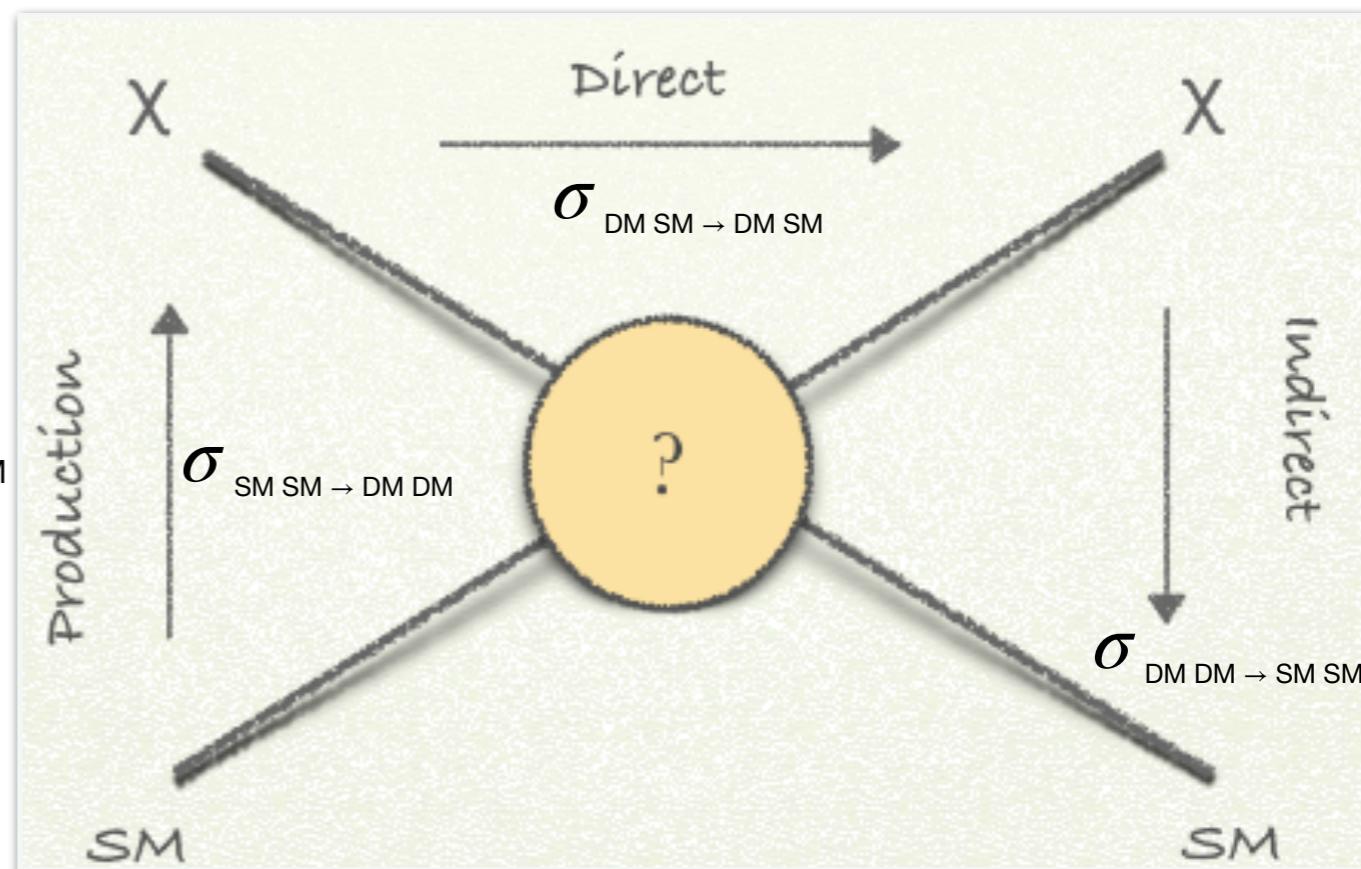
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Crossing symmetry

→ $\sigma_{\text{DM DM} \rightarrow \text{SM SM}}$ related to $\sigma_{\text{SM SM} \rightarrow \text{DM DM}}$ $\sigma_{\text{DM SM} \rightarrow \text{DM SM}}$

multiple detection possibilities



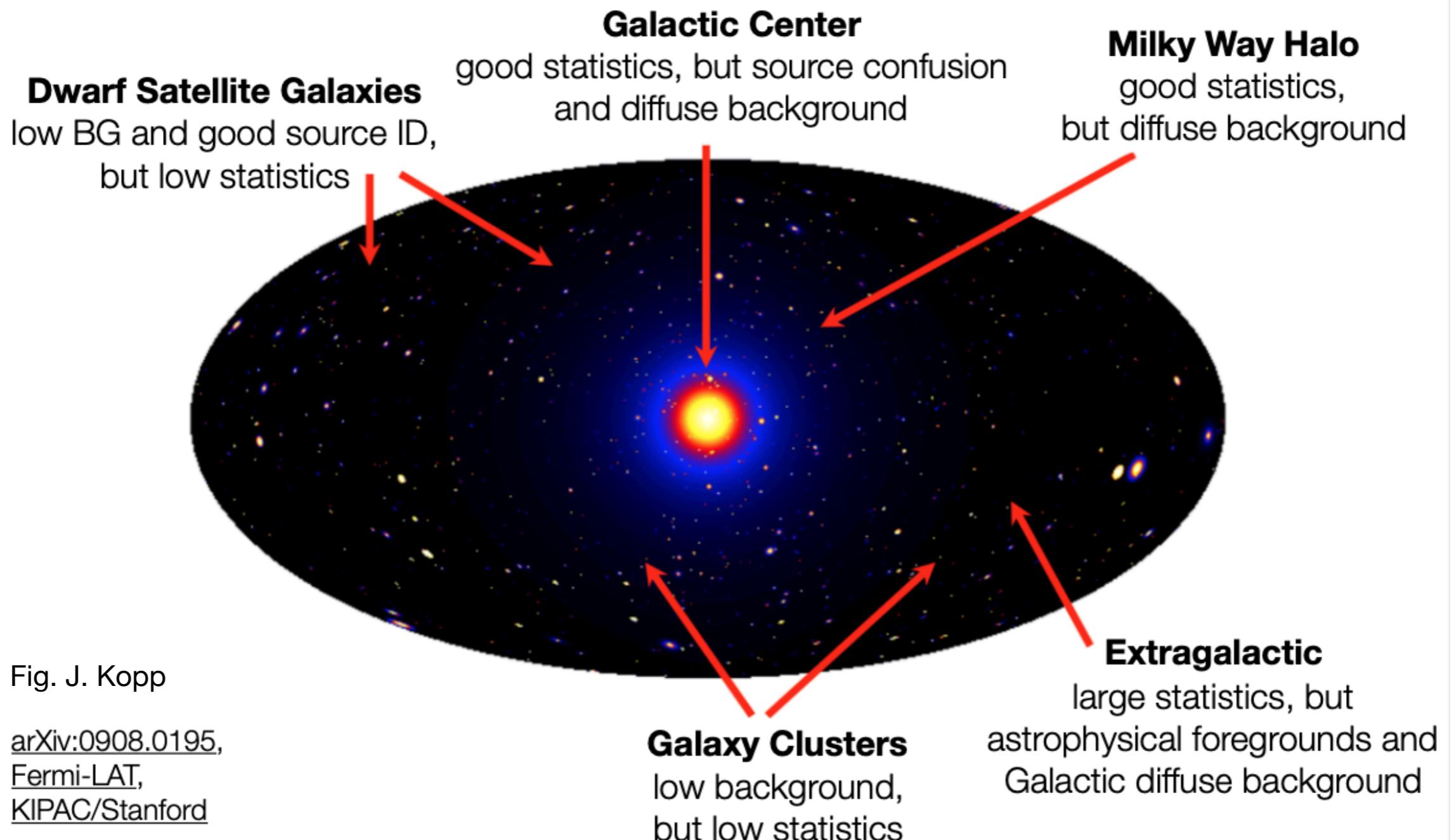
Indirect Detection of WIMPs

DM+DM \rightarrow SM+SM

$$\left[\frac{1}{\text{cm}^2 \text{ s GeV}} \right] \frac{d\Phi_{\gamma}^{\text{DM}}}{dE}(\Delta\Omega, E) = \frac{\sigma v_0}{8\pi m_{\text{DM}}^2} \frac{dN_{\gamma}(E)}{dE} \times J(\Delta\Omega)$$

Flux → counting the photons

$$J(\Delta\Omega) \equiv \int_{\Delta\Omega} d\Omega \int_0^{\infty} ds \rho_{\text{DM}}^2(r(s, \theta))$$



Long Lived Particles

Intensity Frontier

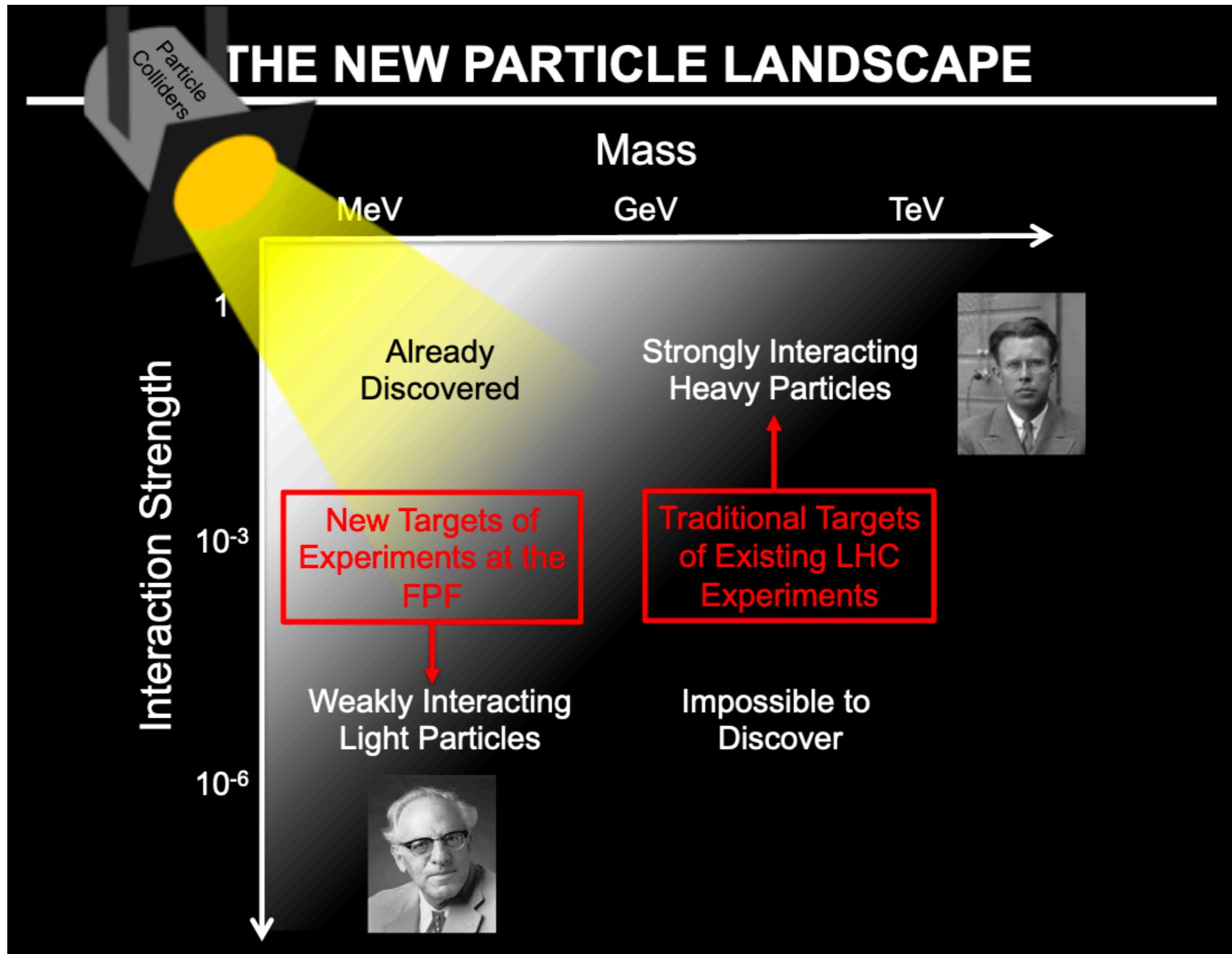


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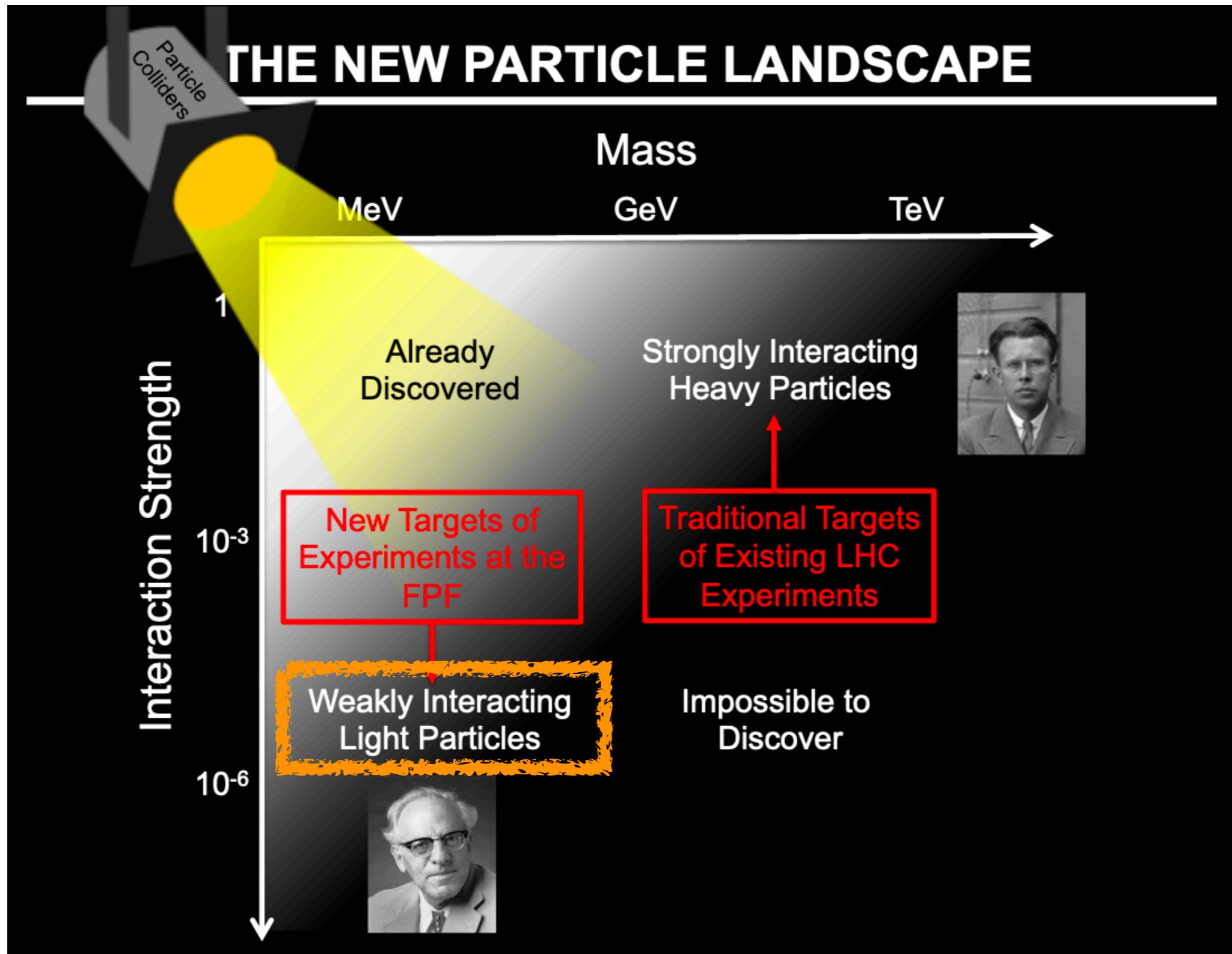


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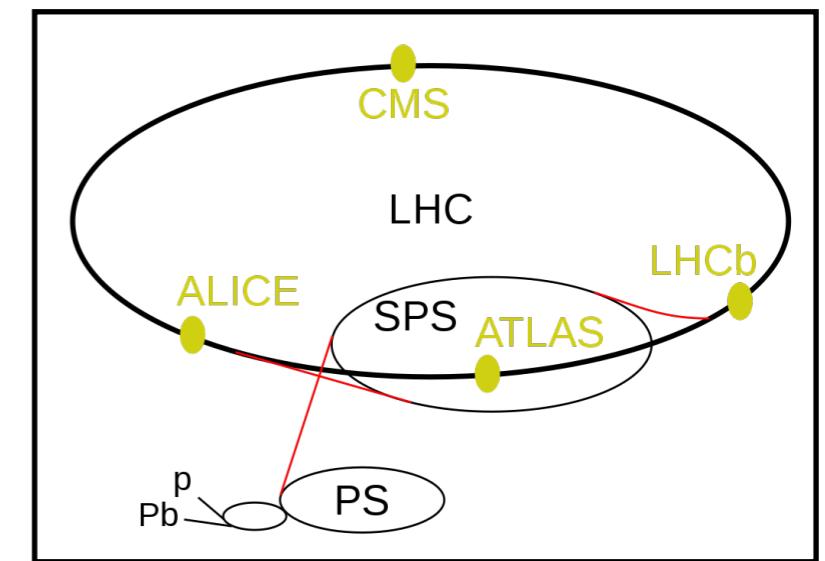
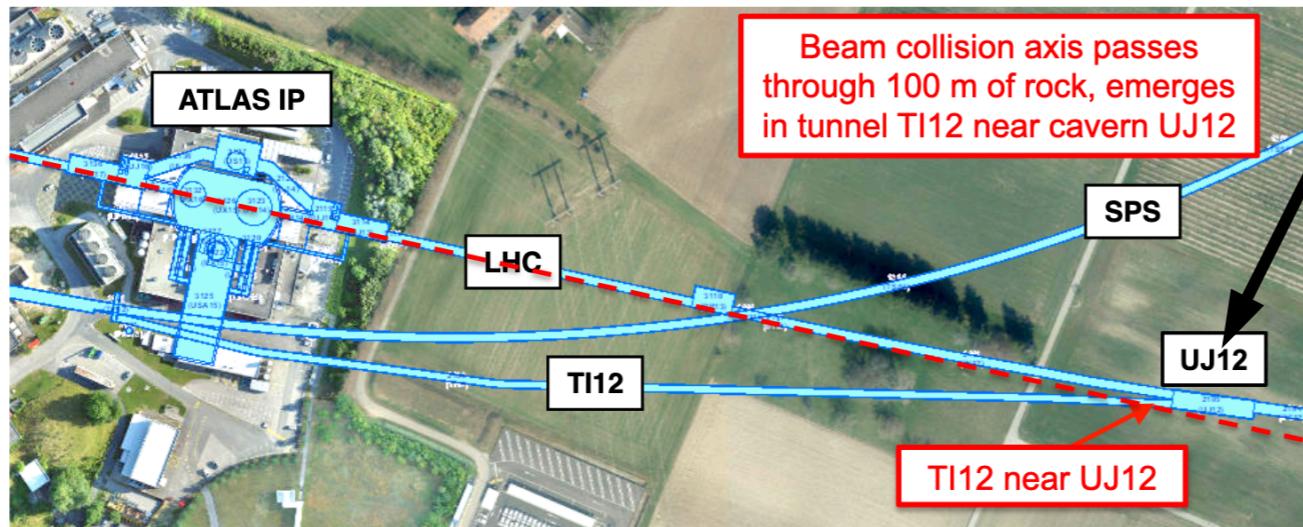
Intensity frontier searches

Light, weakly interacting particles

Weak couplings → large luminosities required

$$N_{signal} \simeq \text{Lum} \times \sigma_{prod} \times P_{det} \times \mathcal{G}$$

- WIMPless-DM
 - $(g - 2)_\mu$
 - neutrino masses, HNL
 - ...
 - Beam dump experiments (proton, electron)
 - Use LHC wasted luminosity as “beam”
- Forward Physics Facility



The Forward Physics Facility, [2109.10905](#)

LLPs are ubiquitous

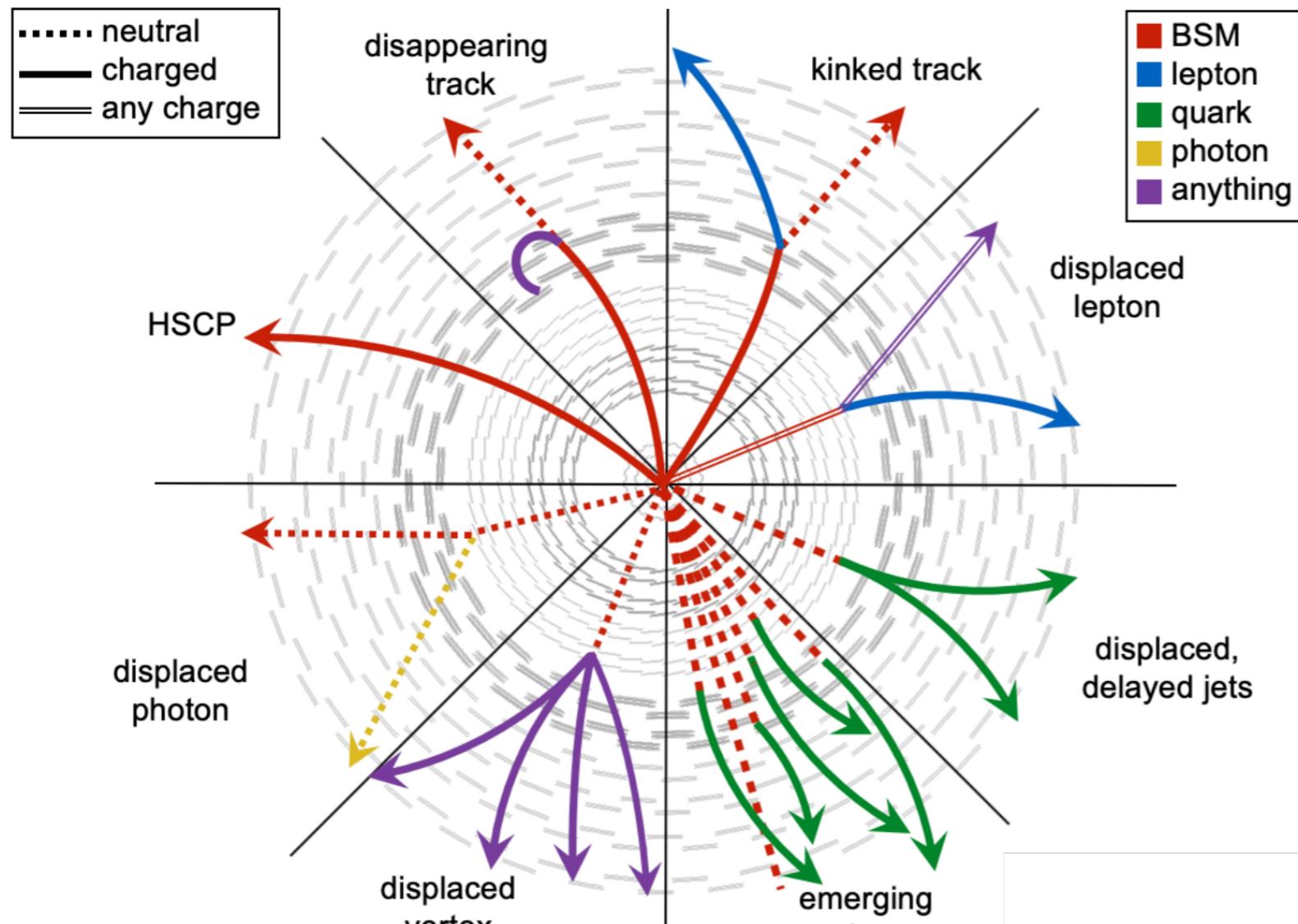


Fig. from S. Westhoff

- SUSY
Arkani-Hamed, Delgado, Giudice, [0601041](#)
- renormalizable portals
Physics Beyond Colliders, [1901.09966](#)
- axion-like particles
Bauer et al, [1808.10323](#)
- heavy neutral leptons
Cottin, Helo, Hirsch, [1806.05191](#)
- ...

often invoked in context of baryogenesis, neutrino masses, hierarchy problem, ...

dark Higgs-dark photon portal to heavy DM

Mediators: dark Higgs h_D + dark photon A'

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{portal}} = -\lambda_{hh_D} |\Phi|^2 |\sigma|^2 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} F'_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$



After spontaneous symmetry breaking, h and h_D mix $\cdots \dashrightarrow \cdots \xrightarrow{\theta} \cdots \dashrightarrow \cdots \dashrightarrow \cdots$
 which connects DS to SM. **Indirect detection signature due to $h_D \rightarrow \text{SM SM}$.**

$$\Phi = \left(0, (v_h + H) / \sqrt{2} \right)^T, \quad \sigma = (v_D + H_D) / \sqrt{2}$$

Moreover, *dark photon obtains mass* $m_{A'} = g_D v_D$, $m_{h_D} = \sqrt{\lambda_D} v_D$

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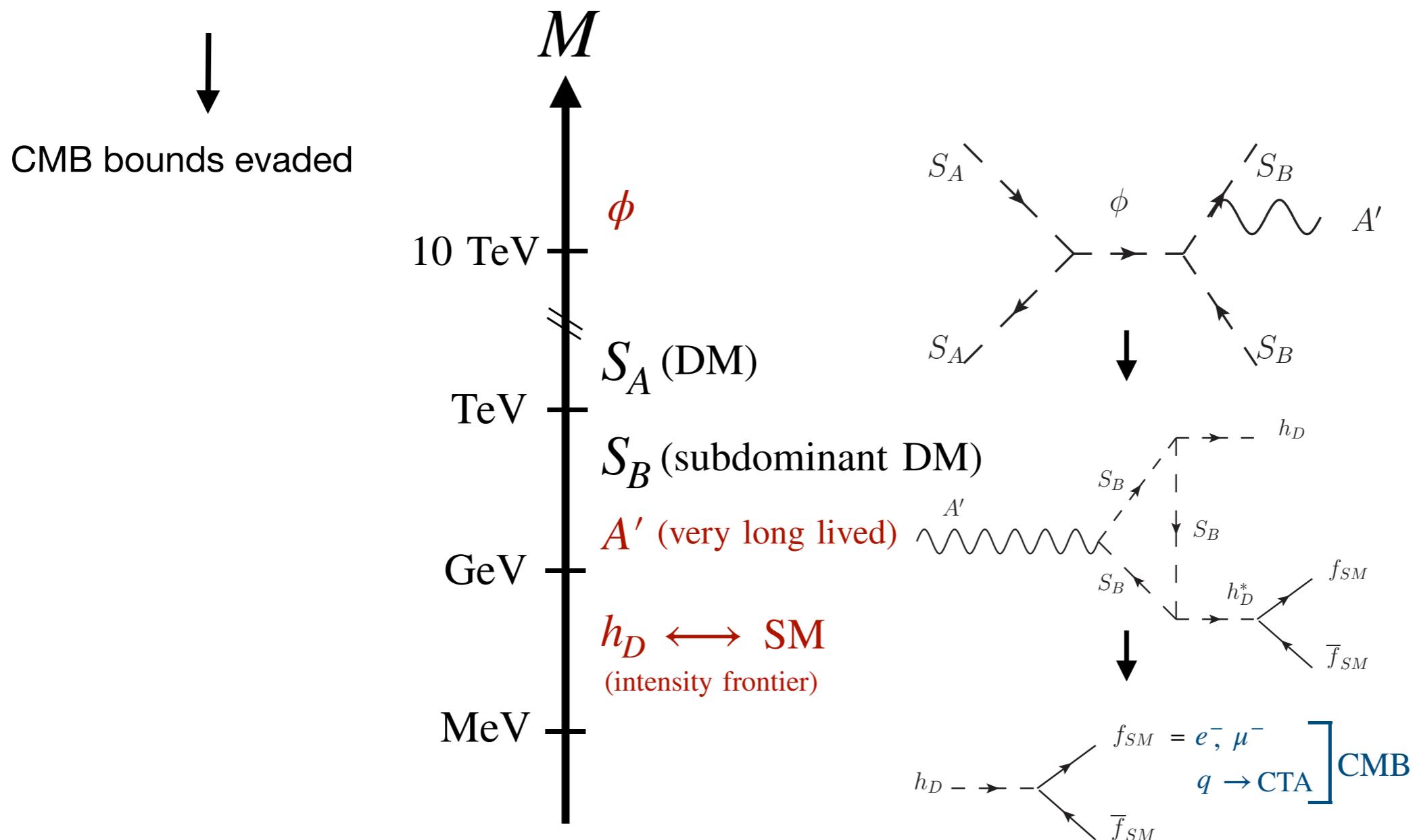
Further, we set $\epsilon = 0$, so A' has no direct coupling to SM. General case - future work.

No interactions breaking C-symmetry
→ $\epsilon = 0$ preserved at the loop level.

Matter fields - two component DM

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \boxed{\mathcal{L}_{\text{DS}}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{portal}}$$

DM is comprised of complex scalars S_A, S_B which we connect by heavy connector ϕ . S_A annihilates within the dark sector in such way that $\Omega_{S_A} h^2 \sim 0.1 \gg \Omega_{S_B} h^2$.



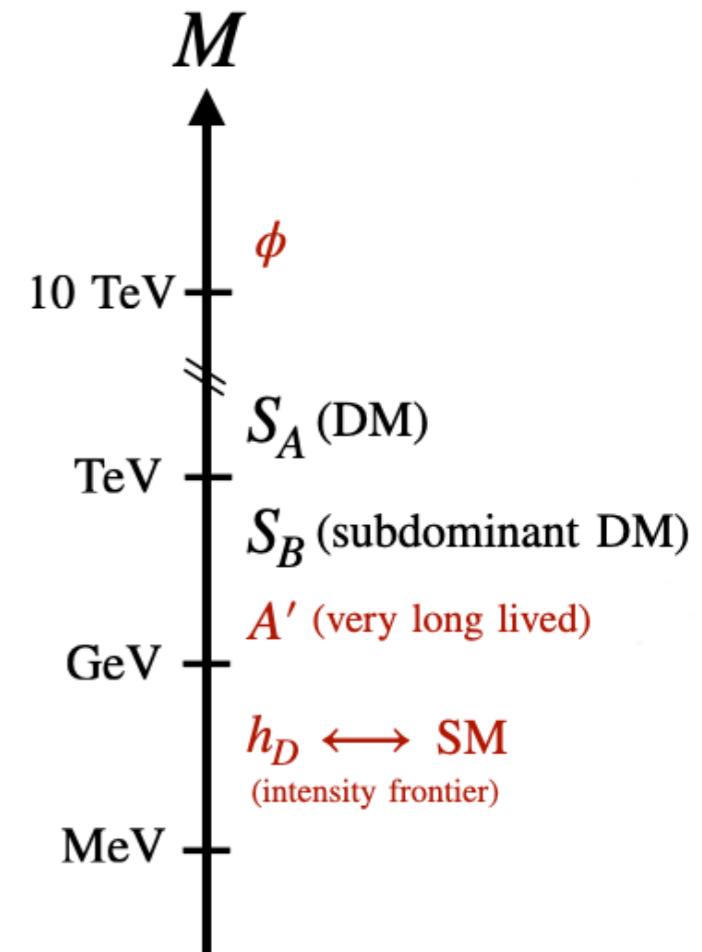
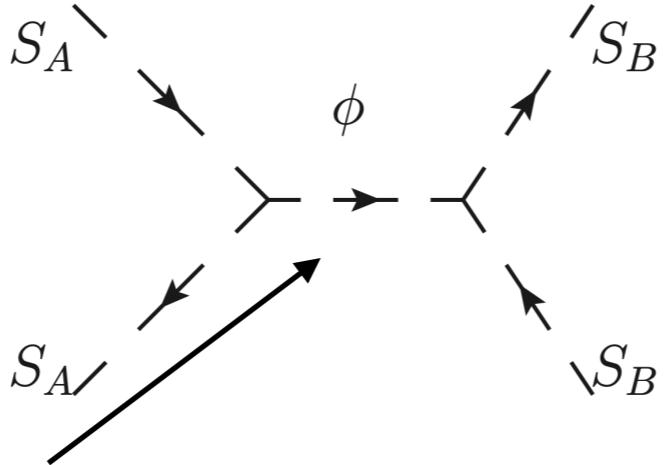
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Interactions within the DS

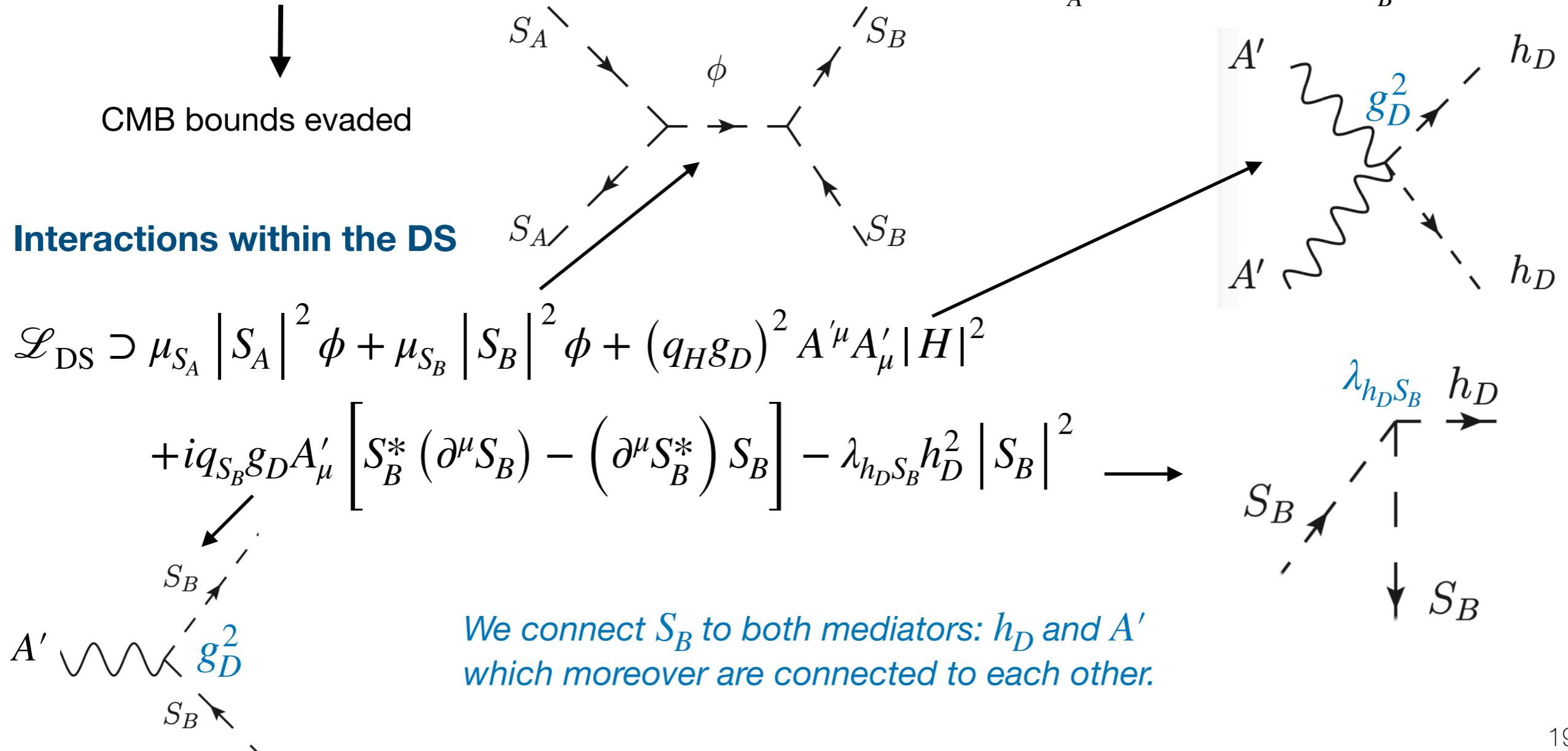
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{DS}} \supset & \mu_{S_A} |S_A|^2 \phi + \mu_{S_B} |S_B|^2 \phi + (q_H g_D)^2 A'^\mu A'_\mu |H|^2 \\ & + i q_{S_B} g_D A'_\mu \left[S_B^* (\partial^\mu S_B) - (\partial^\mu S_B^*) S_B \right] - \lambda_{h_D S_B} h_D^2 |S_B|^2 \end{aligned}$$



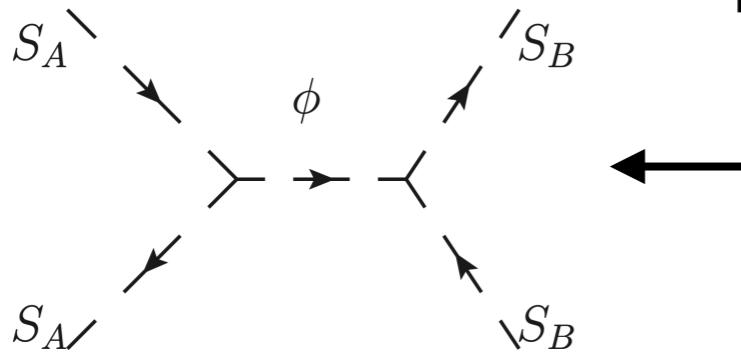
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Thermal history

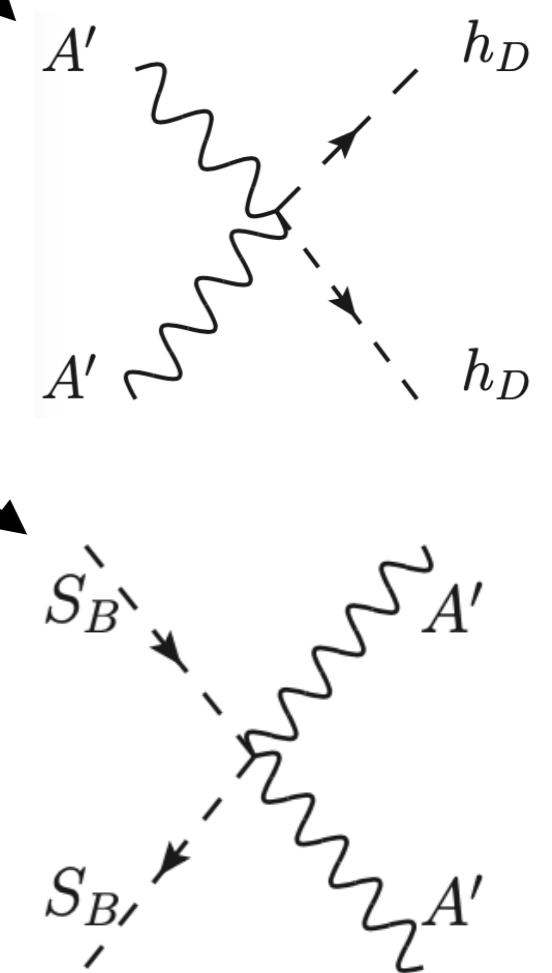
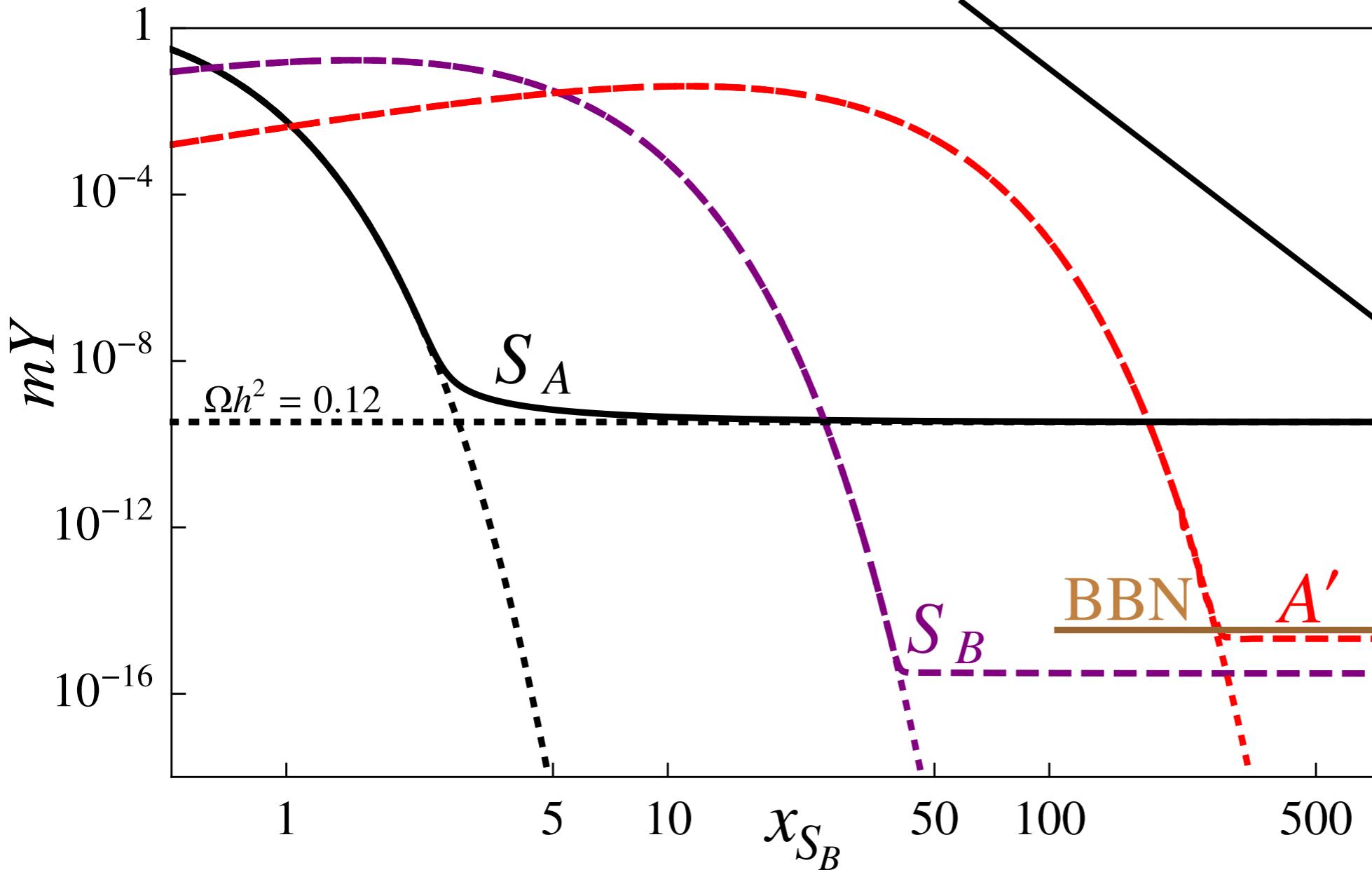


$$\frac{dY_{S_A}}{dx} = -\frac{\lambda_{S_A}}{x^2} \left(Y_{S_A}^2 - \frac{Y_{S_B}^2}{(Y_{S_B}^{\text{eq}})^2} (Y_{S_A}^{\text{eq}})^2 \right)$$

$$\frac{dY_{S_B}}{dx} = -\frac{\lambda_{S_B}}{x^2} \left(Y_{S_B}^2 - (Y_{S_B}^{\text{eq}})^2 \frac{Y_{A'}^2}{(Y_{A'}^{\text{eq}})^2} \right) + \frac{\lambda_{S_A}}{x^2} \left(Y_{S_A}^2 - \frac{Y_{S_B}^2}{(Y_{S_B}^{\text{eq}})^2} (Y_{S_A}^{\text{eq}})^2 \right)$$

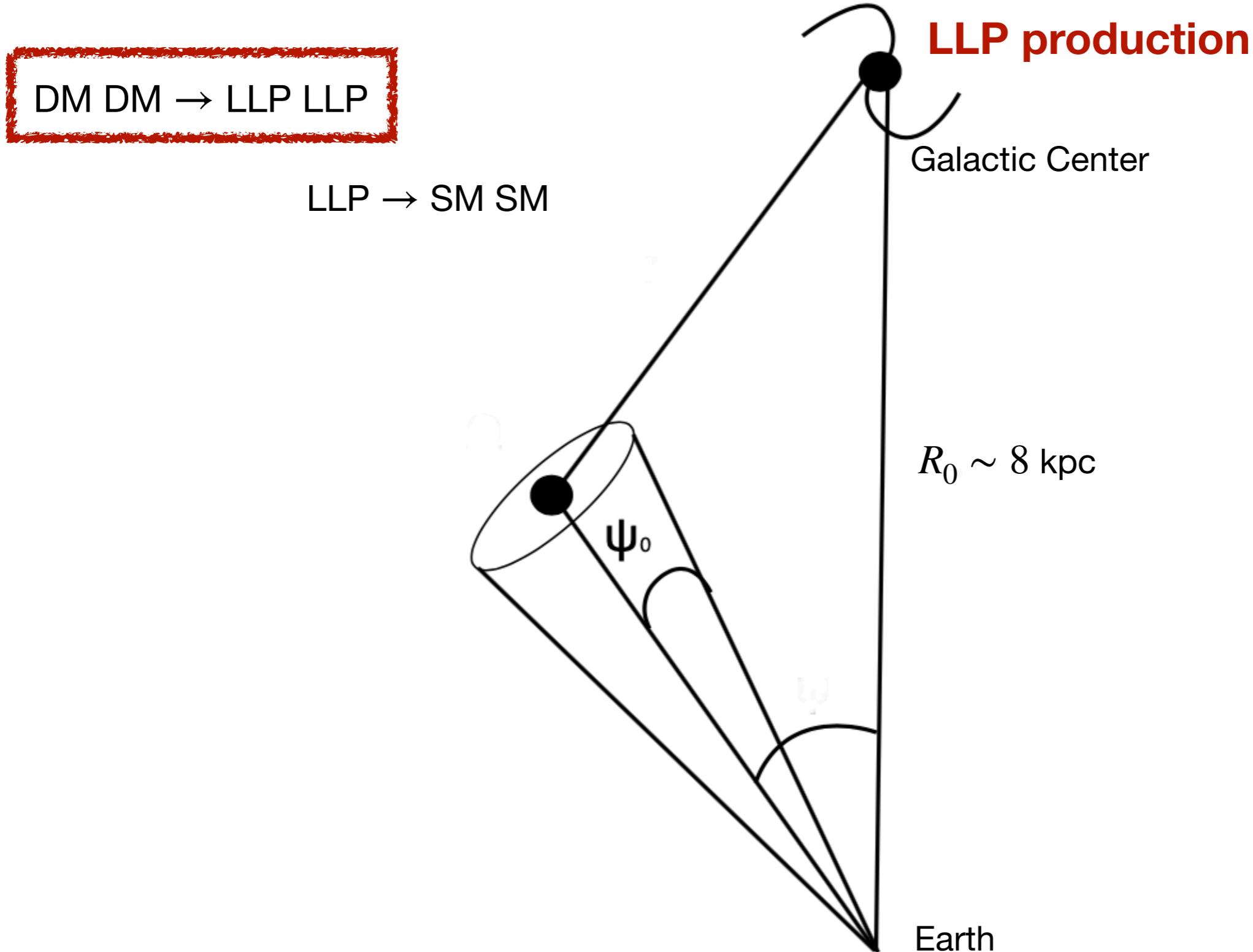
$$\frac{dY_{A'}}{dx} = \frac{\lambda_{S_B}}{x^2} \left(Y_{S_B}^2 - (Y_{S_B}^{\text{eq}})^2 \frac{Y_{A'}^2}{(Y_{A'}^{\text{eq}})^2} \right) - \frac{\lambda_{A'}}{x^2} \left(Y_{A'}^2 - (Y_{A'}^{\text{eq}})^2 \right)$$

Assisted freeze-out

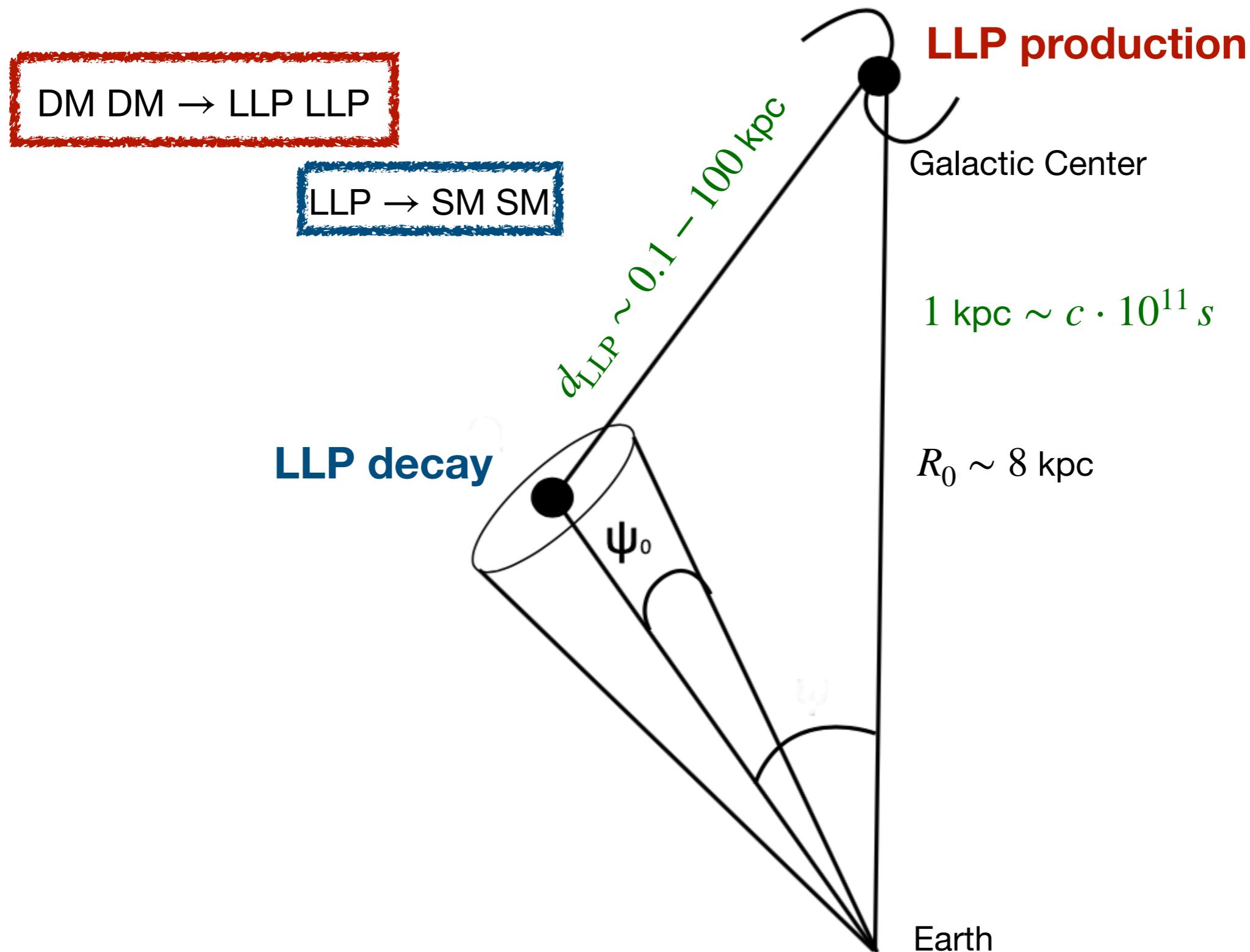


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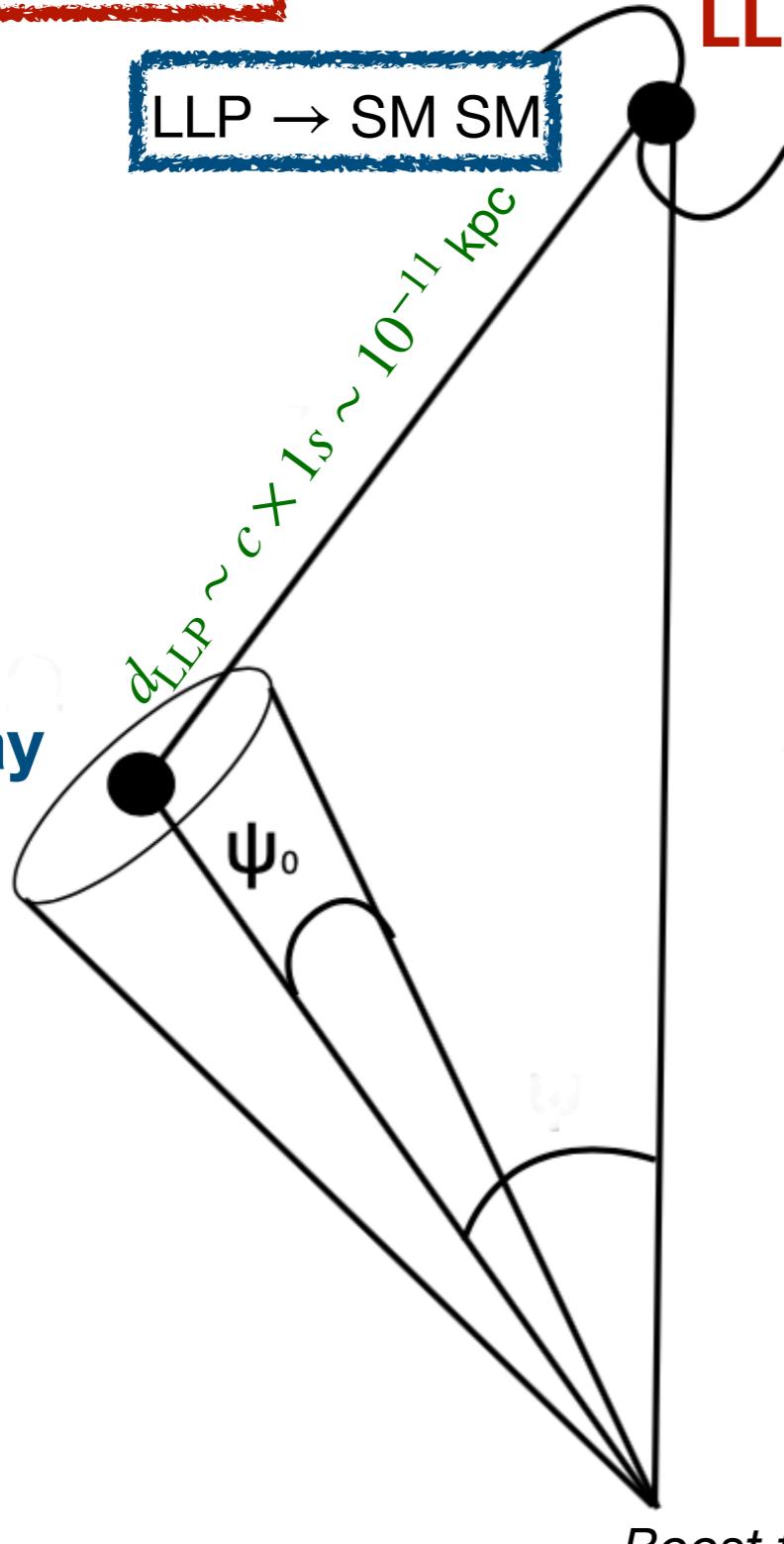


Short lifetime regime - secluded WIMP

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LLP → SM SM

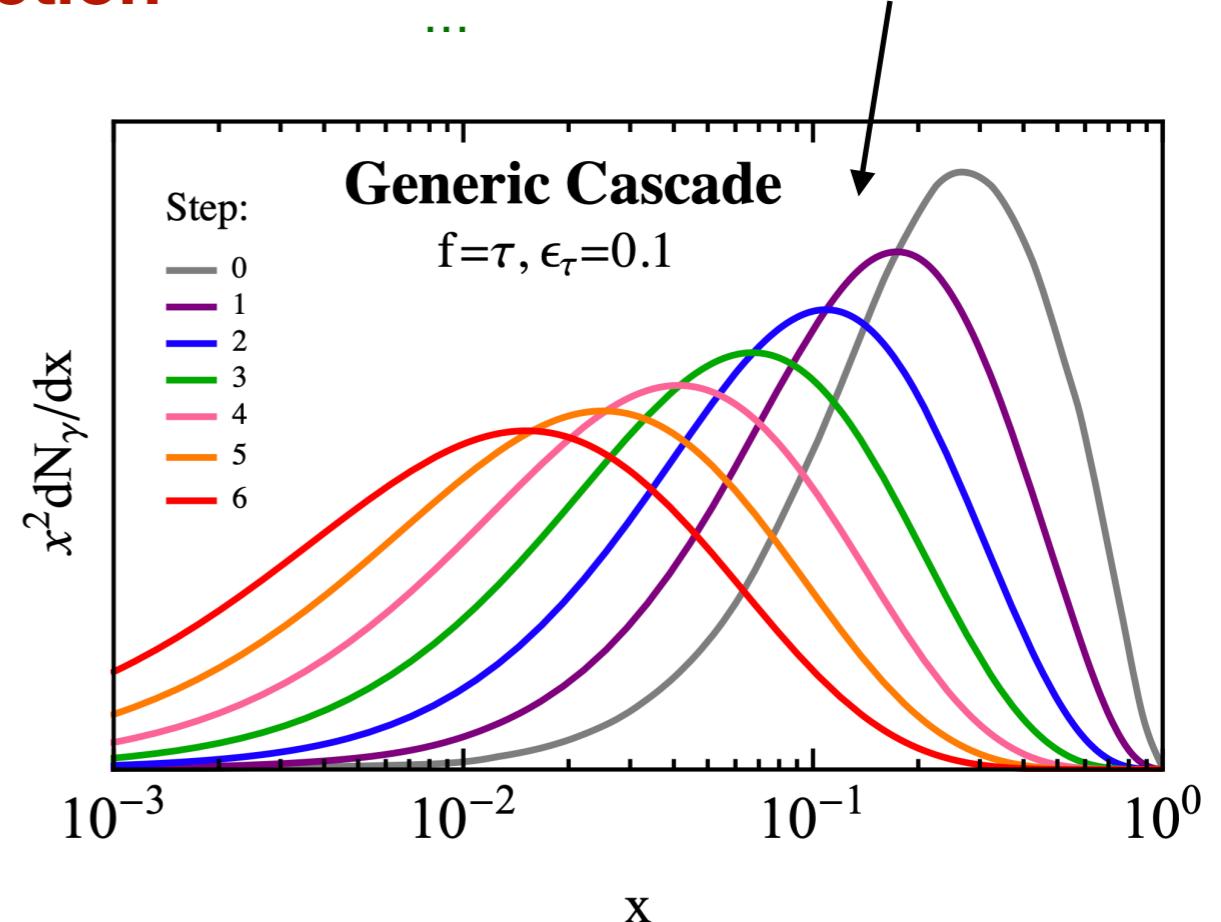
LLP production



Bringmann, Weniger, [1208.5481](#)

Elor, Rodd, Slatyer, [1503.01773](#)

...



Cascades lead to softer spectrum

Master formula unchanged, only spectrum changes

$$\frac{dN_\gamma}{dx_1} = 2 \int_{t_{1,\min}}^{t_{1,\max}} \frac{dx_0}{x_0 \sqrt{1 - \epsilon_1^2}} \frac{dN_\gamma}{dx_0}$$

$x_i = 2E_\gamma/m_i \quad \epsilon_1 = m_{\text{LLP}}/m_{\text{DM}}$

Long lifetime regime

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Compare to formula for WIMP ID → *non-local J-factor*

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→ no longer direct relationship between $\Phi_{\text{LLP}}(\vec{r}_0)$ and $\rho_{\text{DM}}^2(\vec{r}_0)$.

Non-relativistic mediators

Rothstein, Schwetz, Zupan, [0903.3116](#)

ID anomalies

Chu, Kulkarni, Salati, [1706.08543](#)

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↑
Survival probability of LLP
↑
spectrum

↓
Boost factor
↓
Anisotropy function

↓
DM density profile

↓
Integral over all positions of DM that result in LLP decaying at $(s, \underline{\Omega})$.

Integral over line of sight
- position of LLP → SM.

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Short lifetime regime → WIMP ID

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For short lifetime, the only contribution comes from $\vec{r}_{\text{DM}} \rightarrow \vec{r}_{\text{LLP}}$, therefore $\rho = \text{const}$ and there is no anisotropy → we regain the standard result.

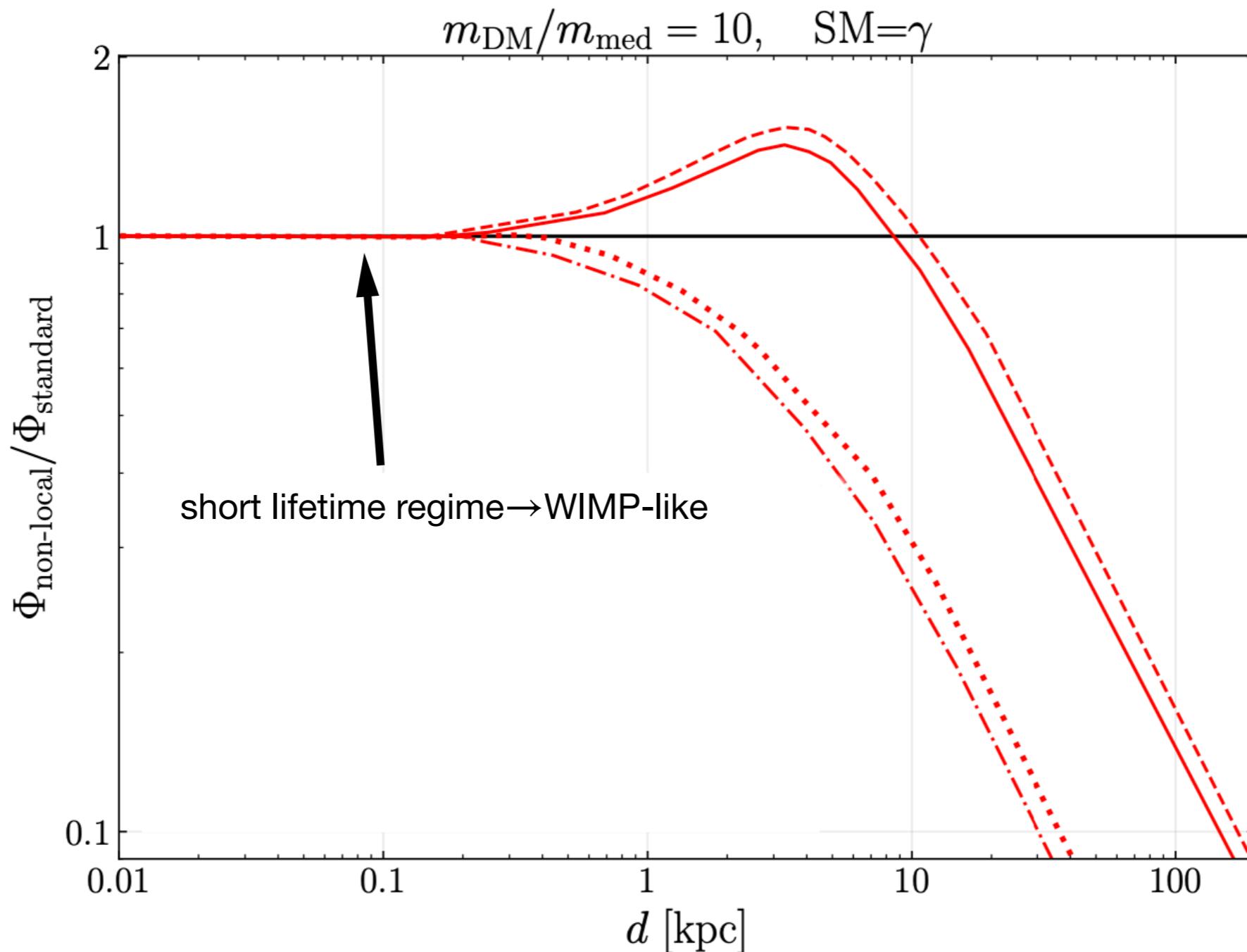
$$\Phi_{d_{\text{LLP}} \rightarrow 0} = \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_0}{8\pi m_{\text{DM}}^2} \int_{\Delta\Omega} d\Omega \int_{\text{los}} ds \rho_{\text{DM}}^2 \int_{\Delta E_\gamma} dE_\gamma \frac{dN_\gamma^X}{dE_\gamma}$$

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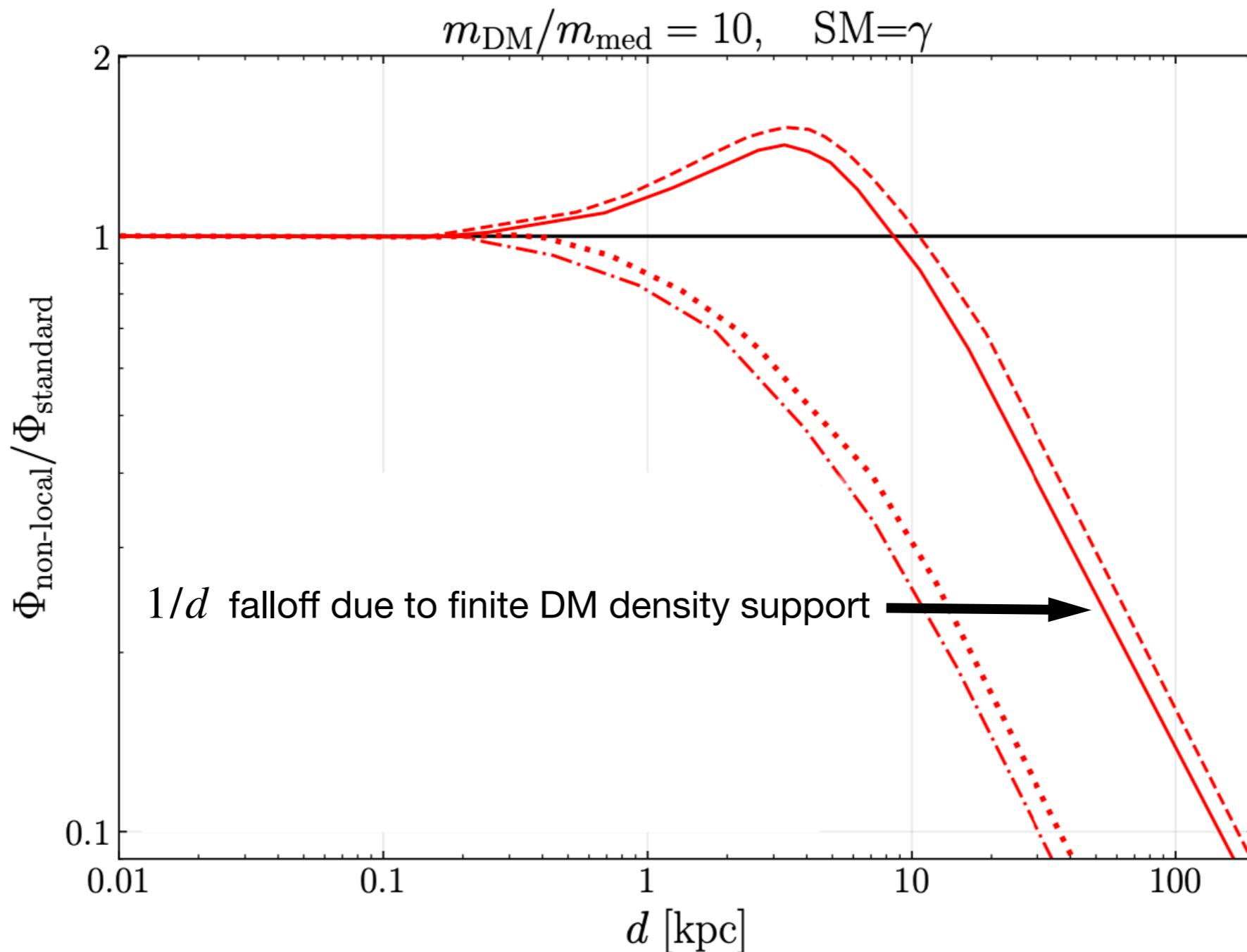


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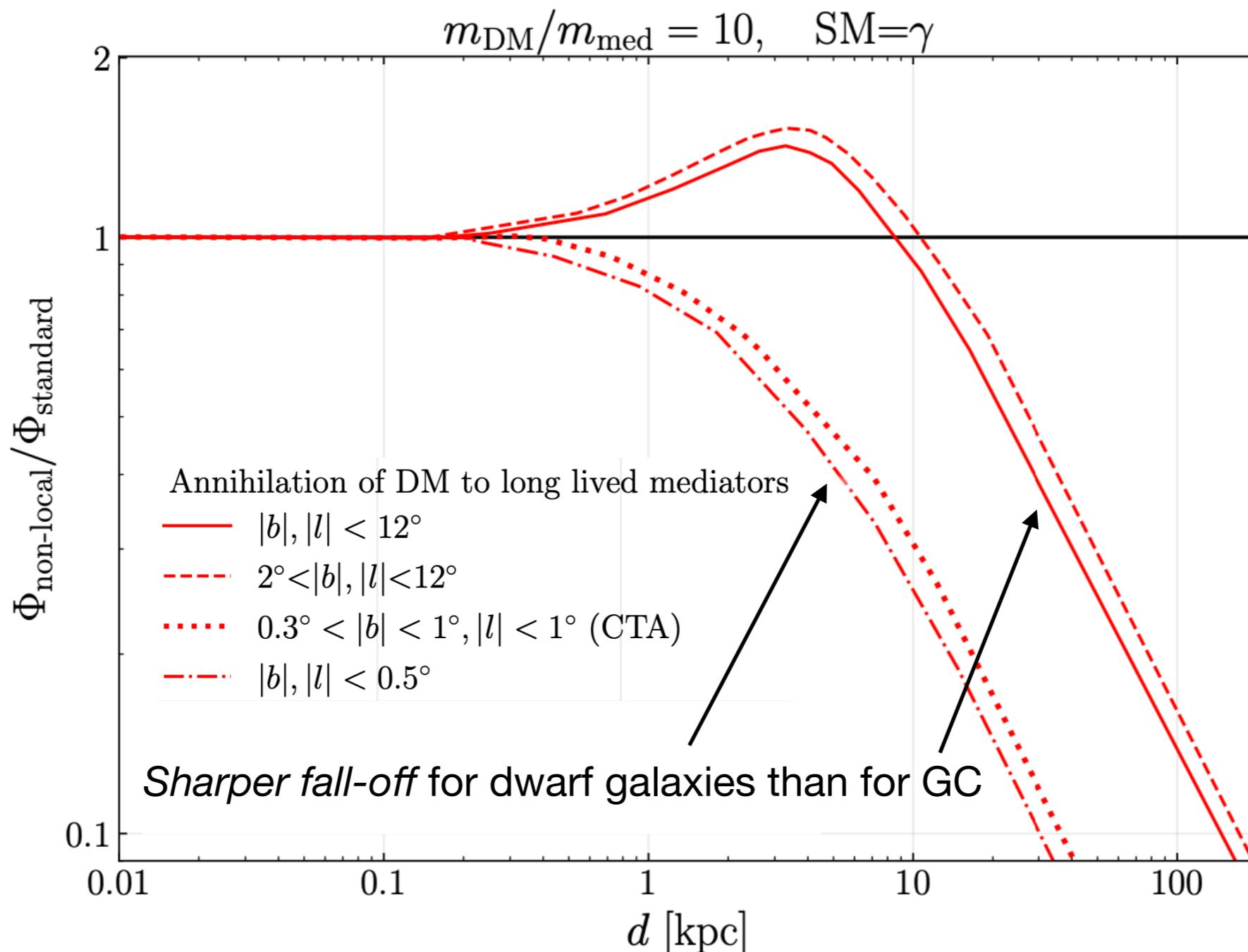


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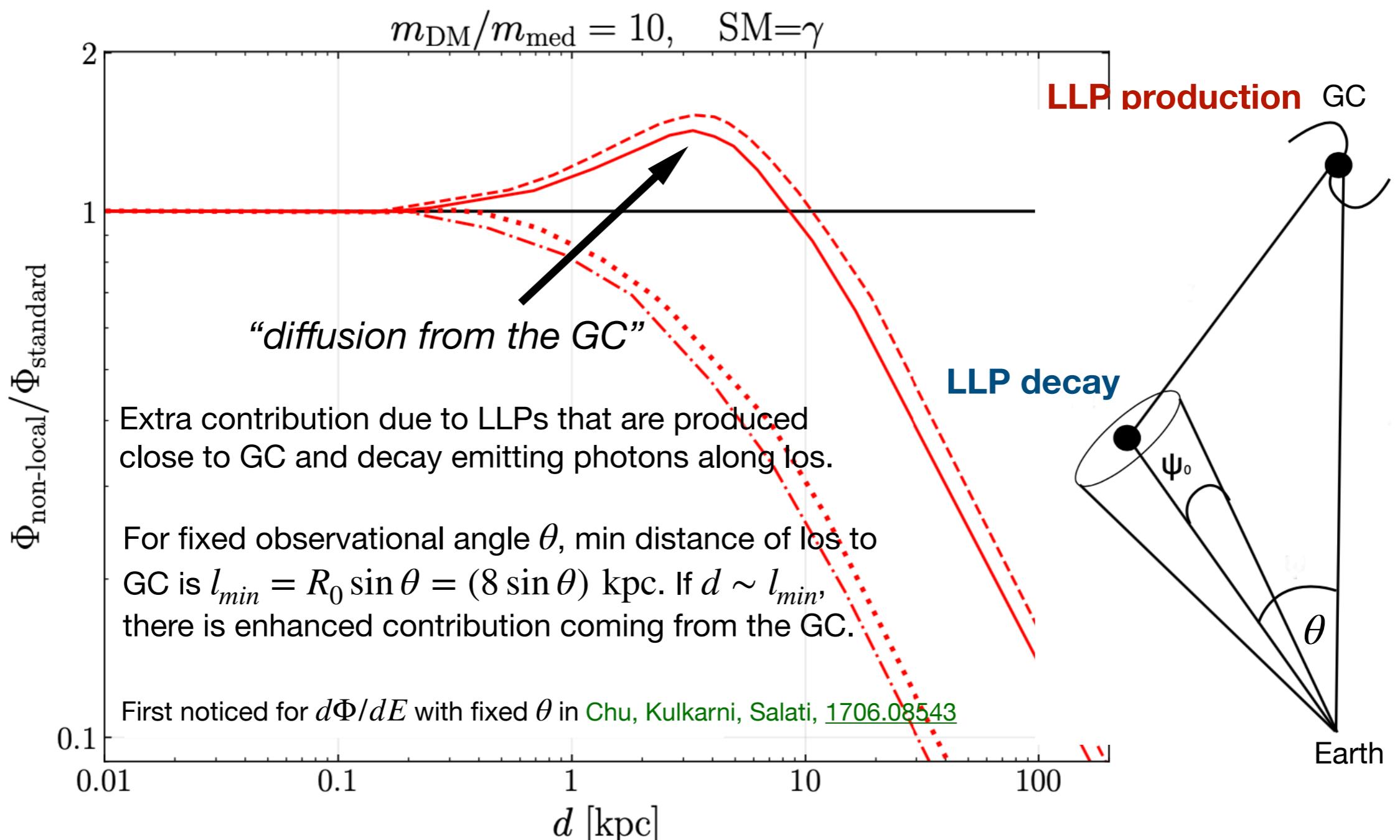


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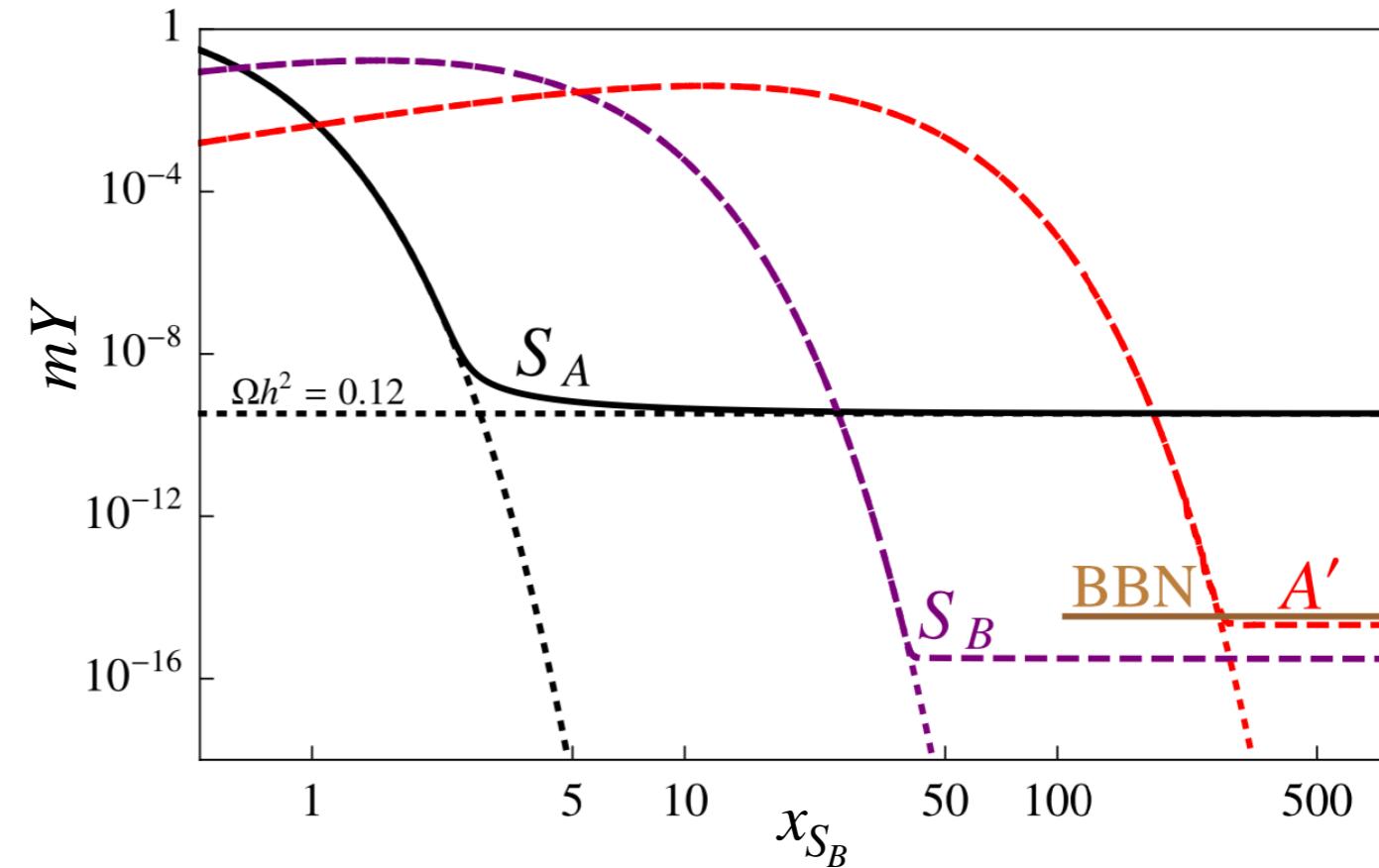
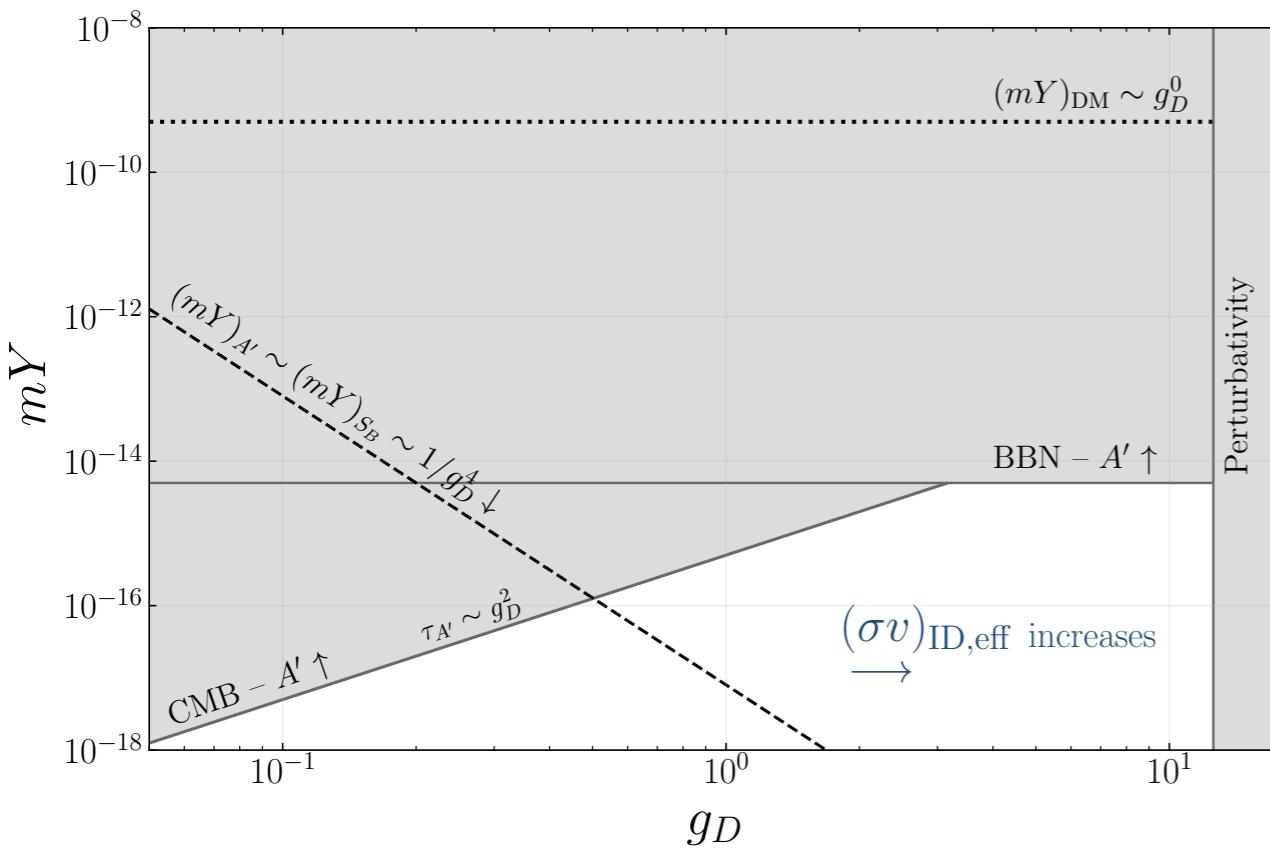
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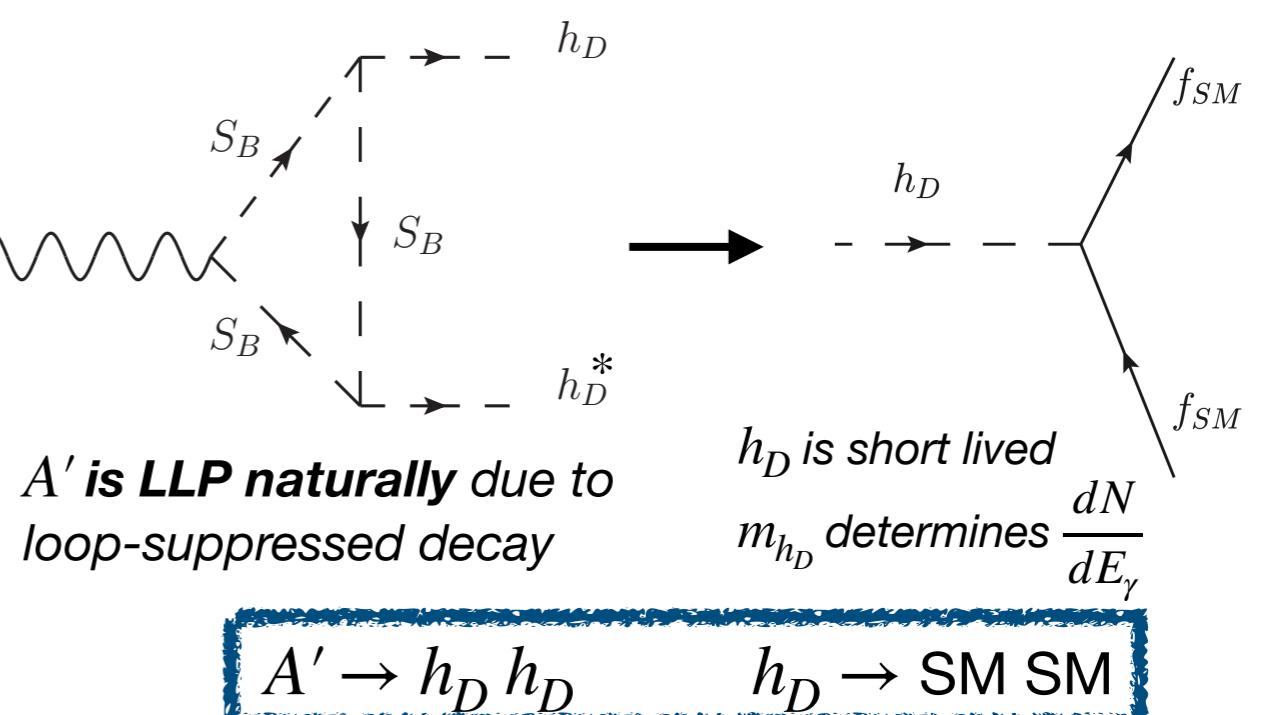
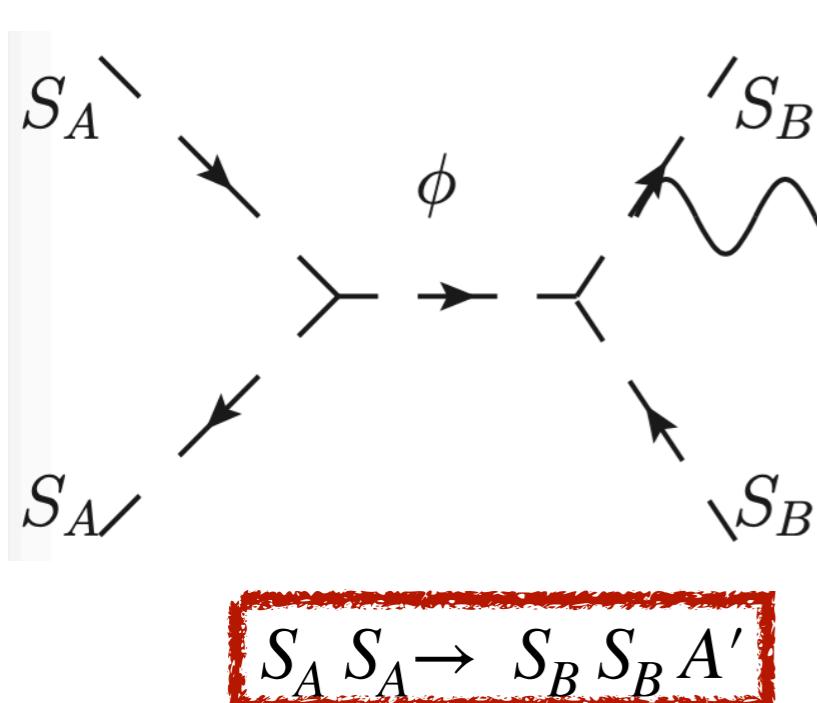
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Thermal history impact on ID



Indirect Detection

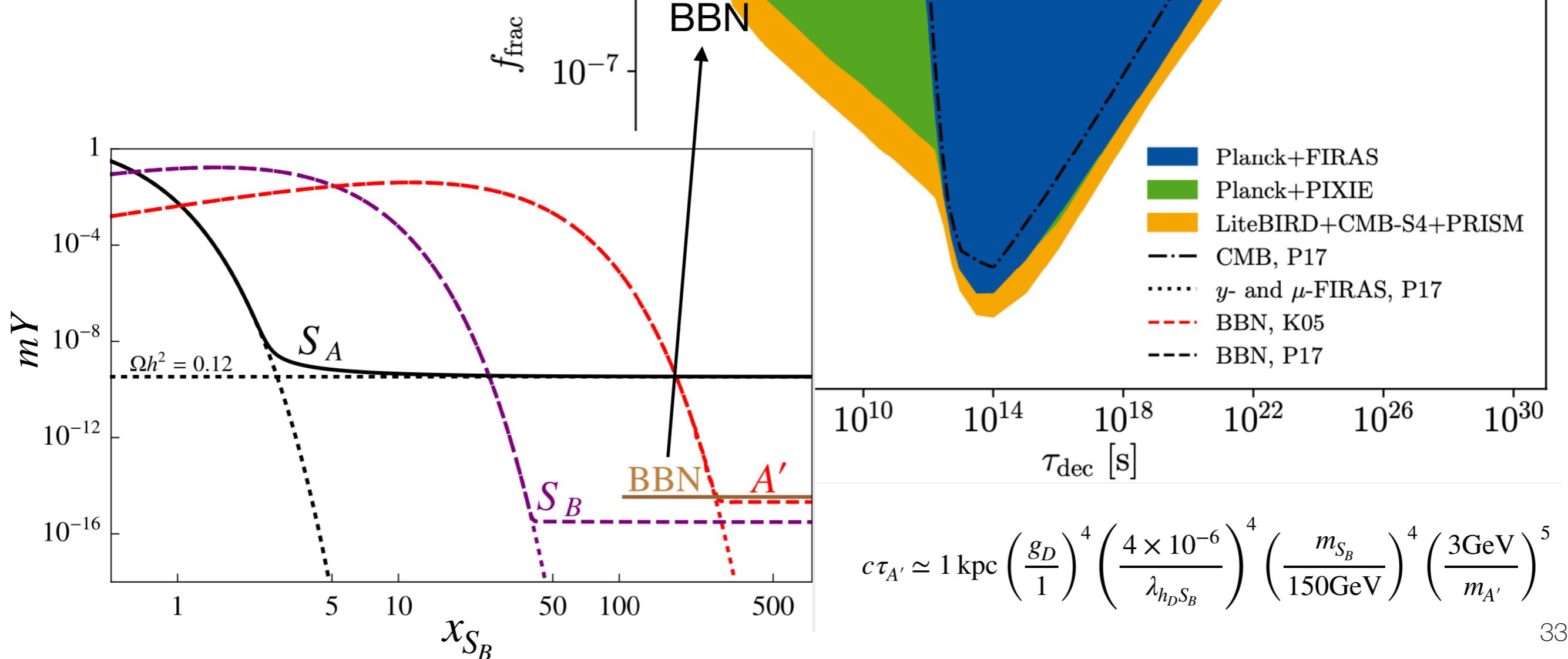


Limits on decaying DM - late energy injections

Lucca, Schoneberg, Hooper, Lesgourgues, Chluba, [1910.04619](#)

Late energy injections
can destroy *light elements*

Dashed lines - BBN
Poulin, Serpico, Lesgourgues, [1606.02073](#)



Limits on decaying DM - late energy injections

Late energy injections
can *distort black body*
CMB spectrum.

Dashed-dotted, dotted lines
- existing CMB limits.

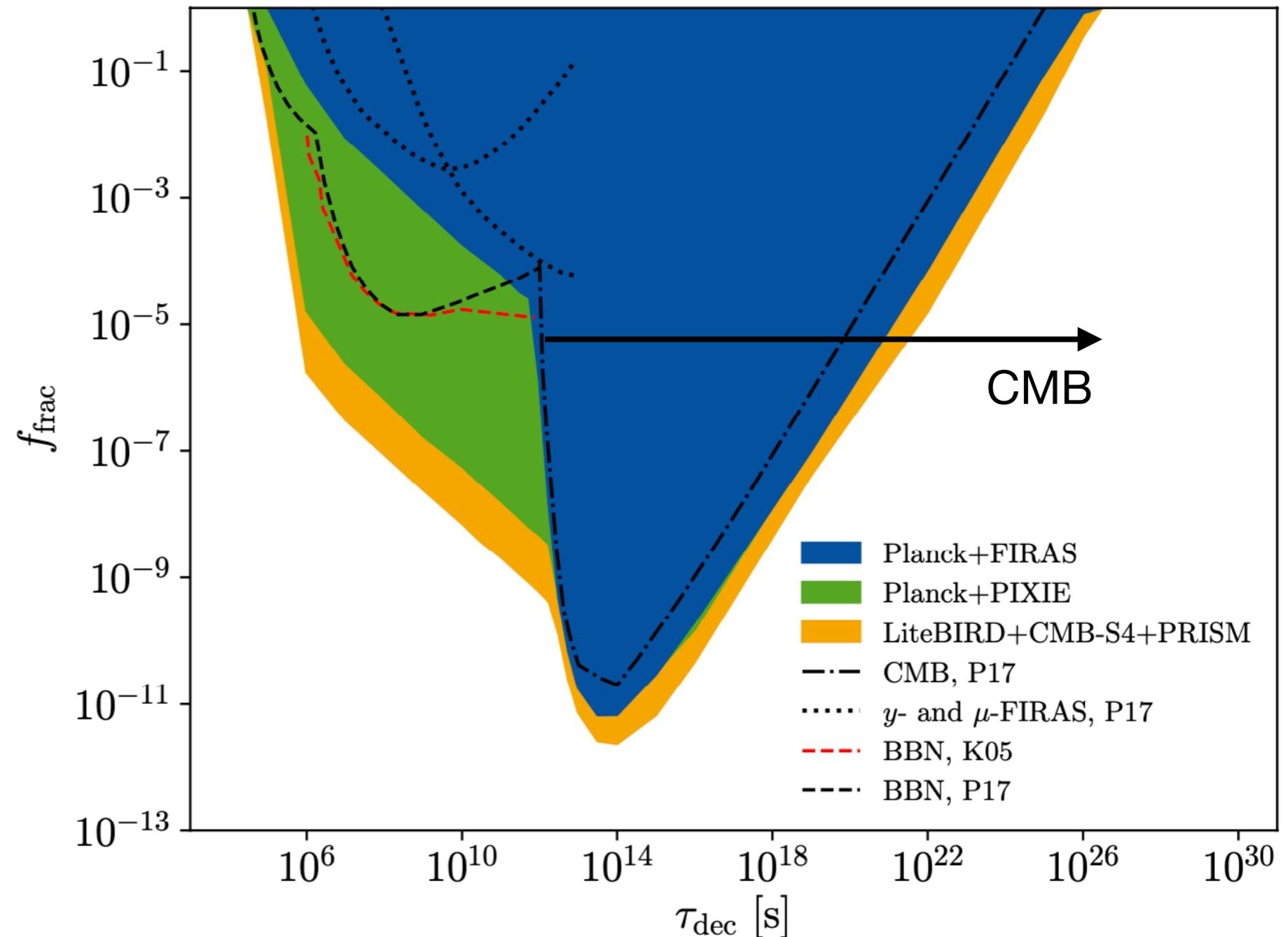
FIRAS, [9810373](#)

Projections

PIXIE, [1105.2044](#)

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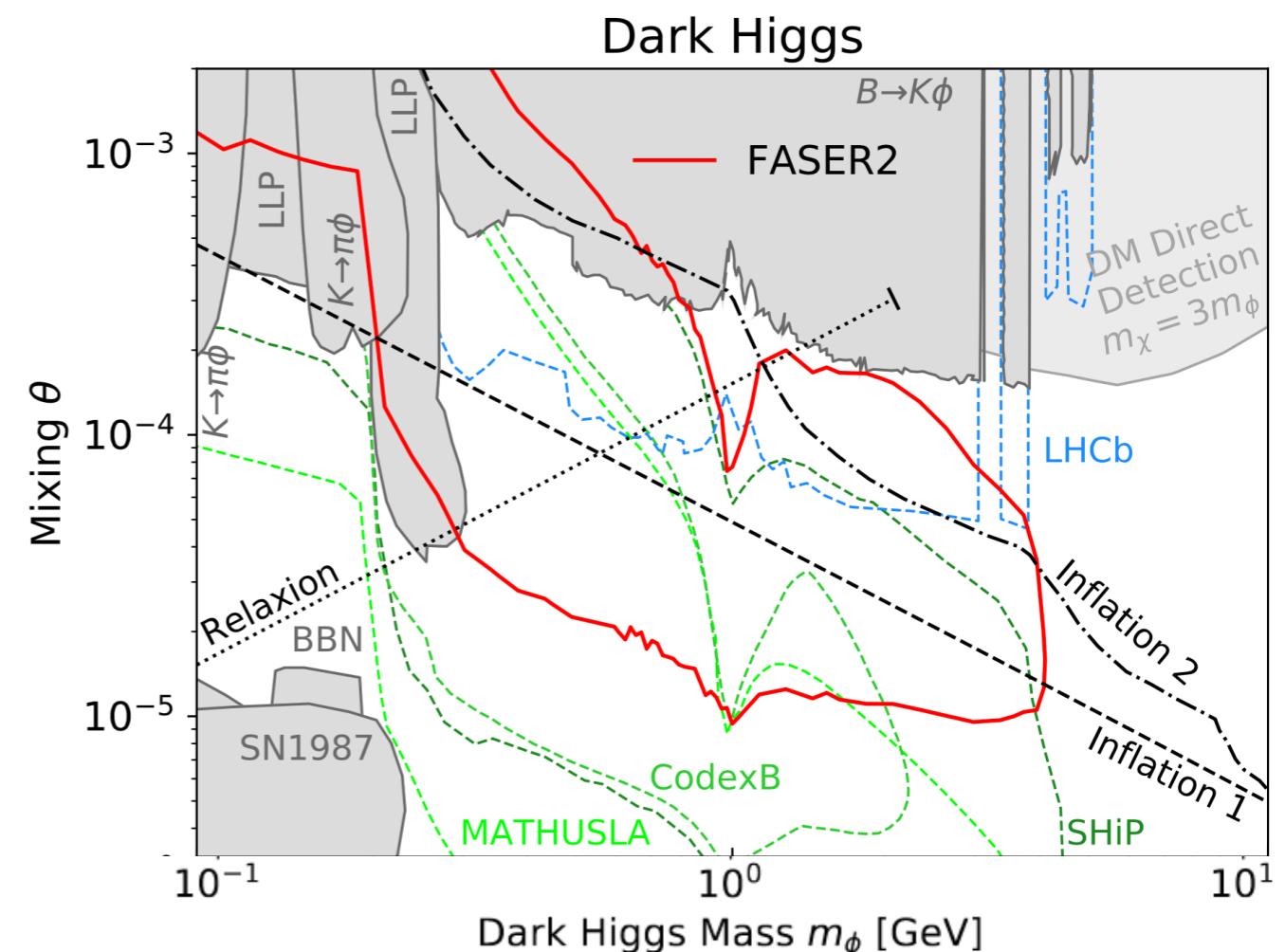
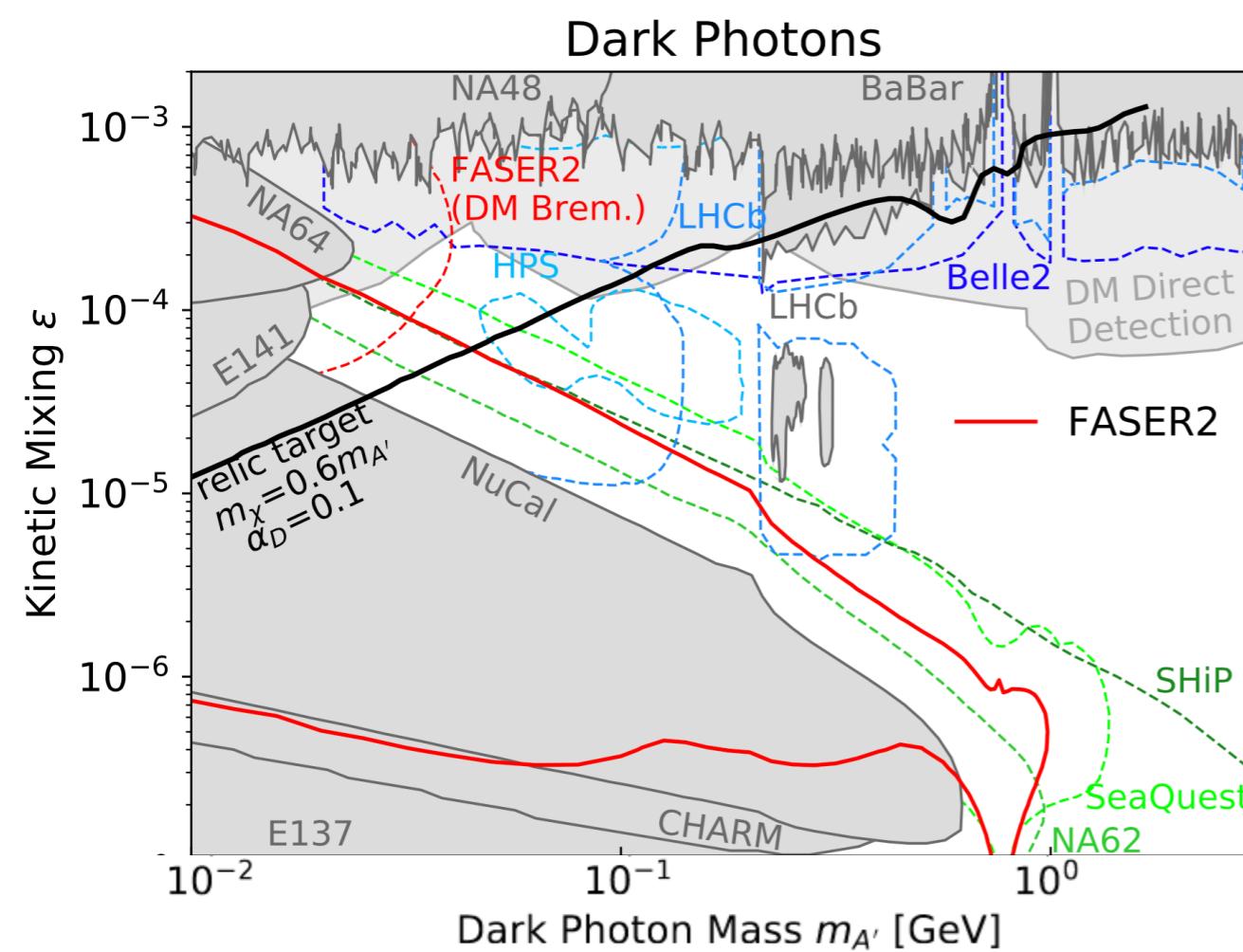
$$* \quad c\tau_{A'} \simeq 1 \text{ kpc} \left(\frac{g_D}{1} \right)^4 \left(\frac{4 \times 10^{-6}}{\lambda_{h_D S_B}} \right)^4 \left(\frac{m_{S_B}}{150 \text{ GeV}} \right)^4 \left(\frac{3 \text{ GeV}}{m_{A'}} \right)^5$$

Complementarity in searches for Long Lived Particles

Intensity frontier searches

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vector portal}} = -\frac{\epsilon}{2} F'_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

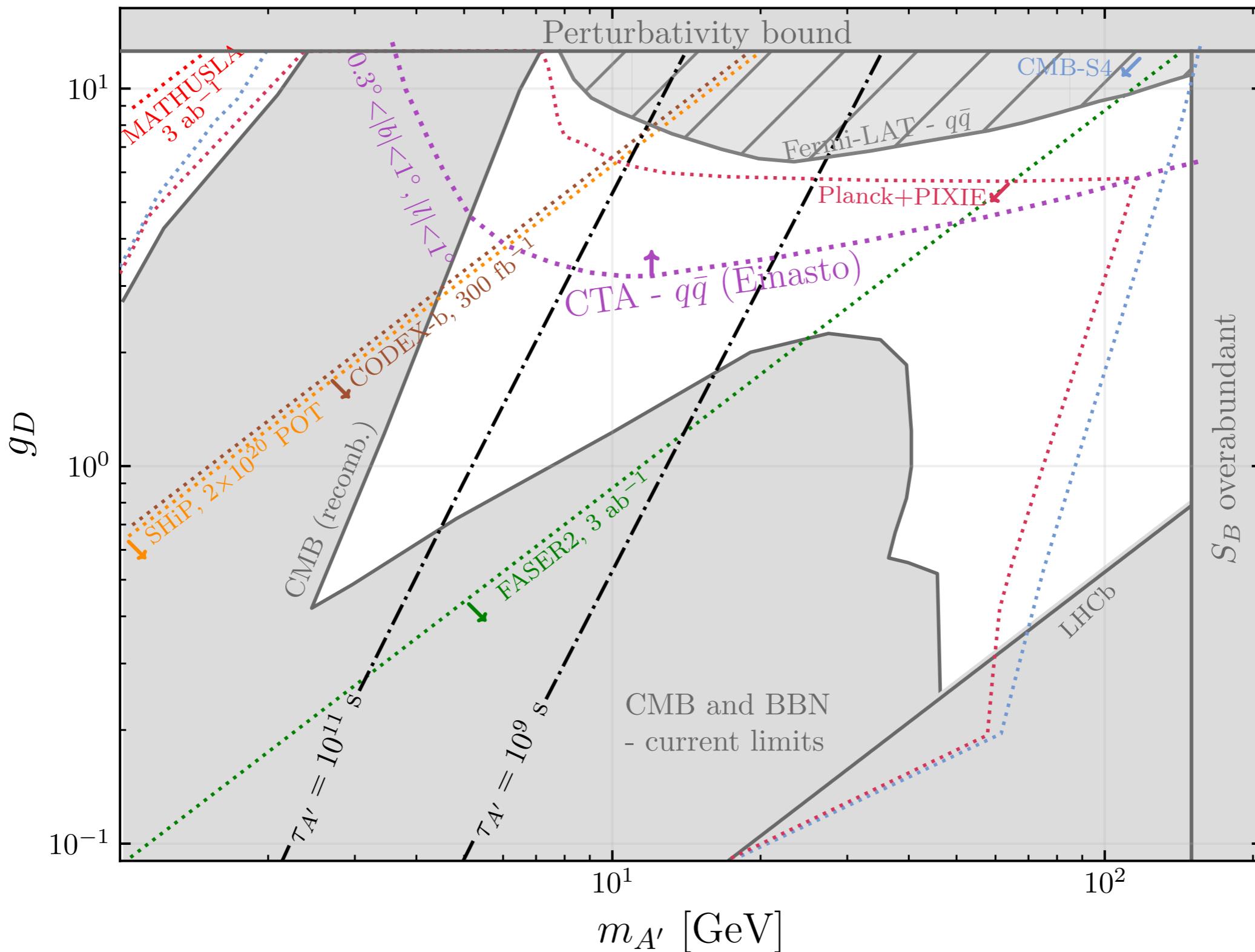
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalar portal}} = \alpha_1 S H^\dagger H + \alpha S^2 H^\dagger H$$



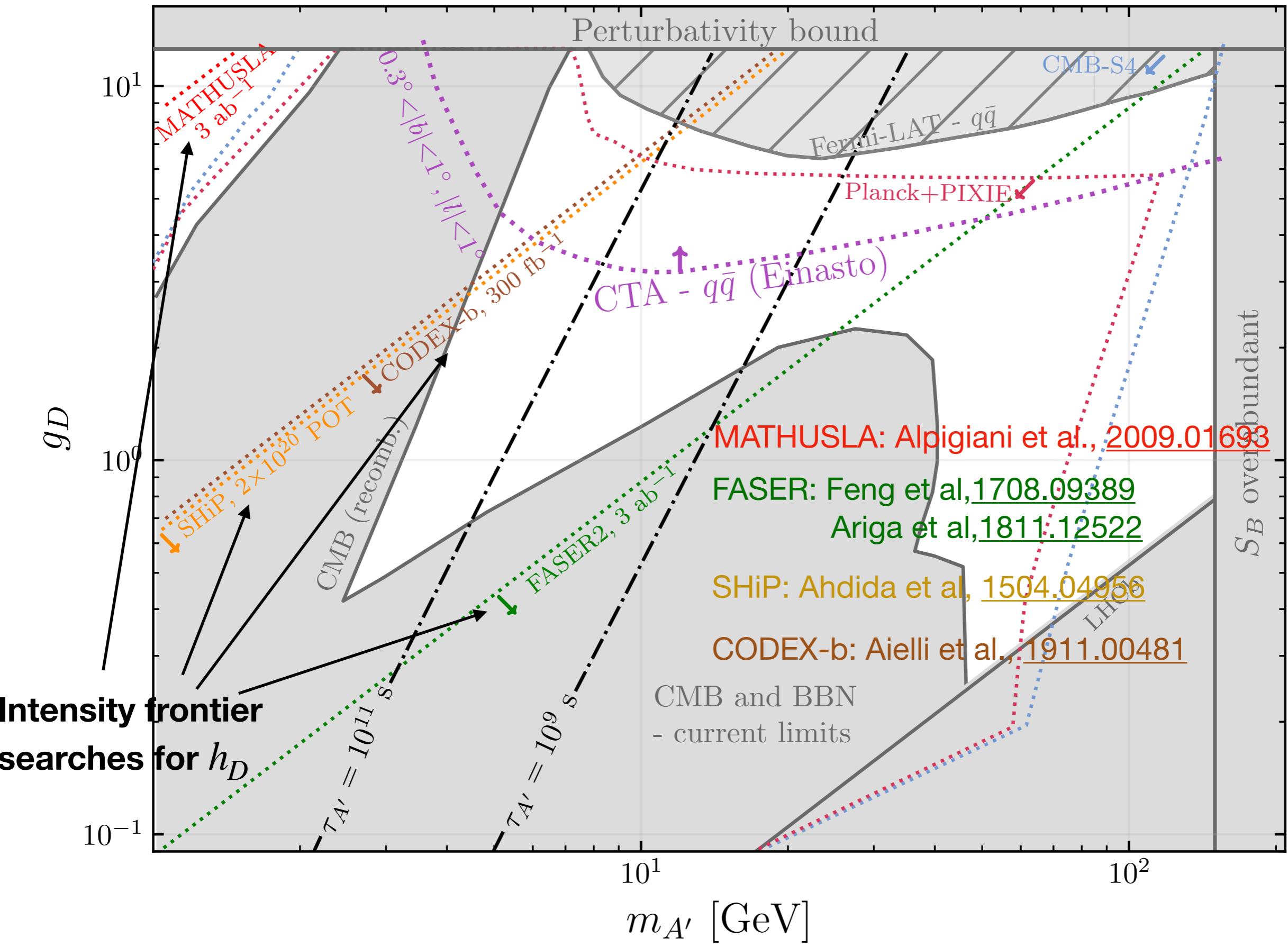
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Indirect Detection & Intensity Frontier searches for LLPs - complementarity

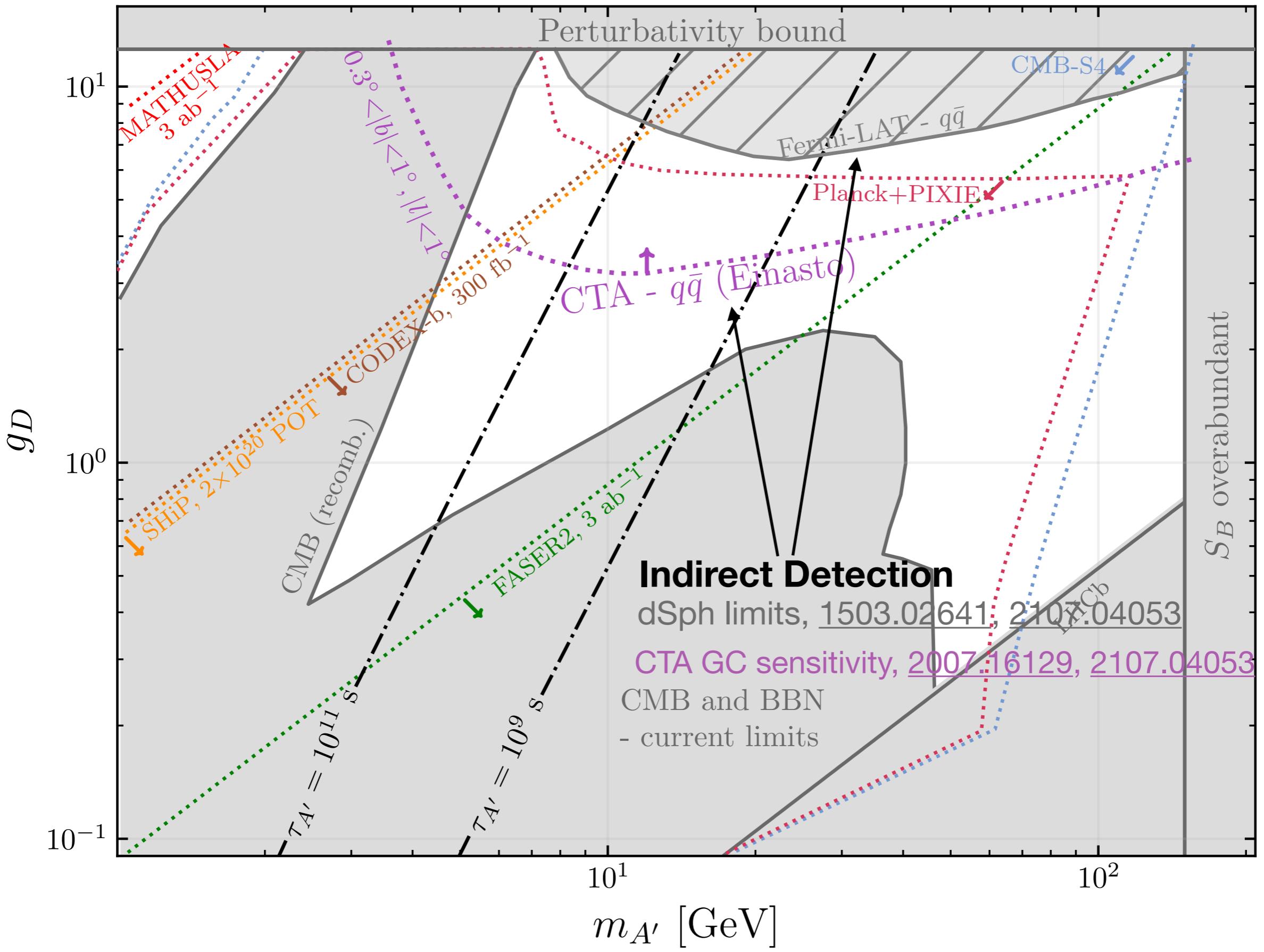
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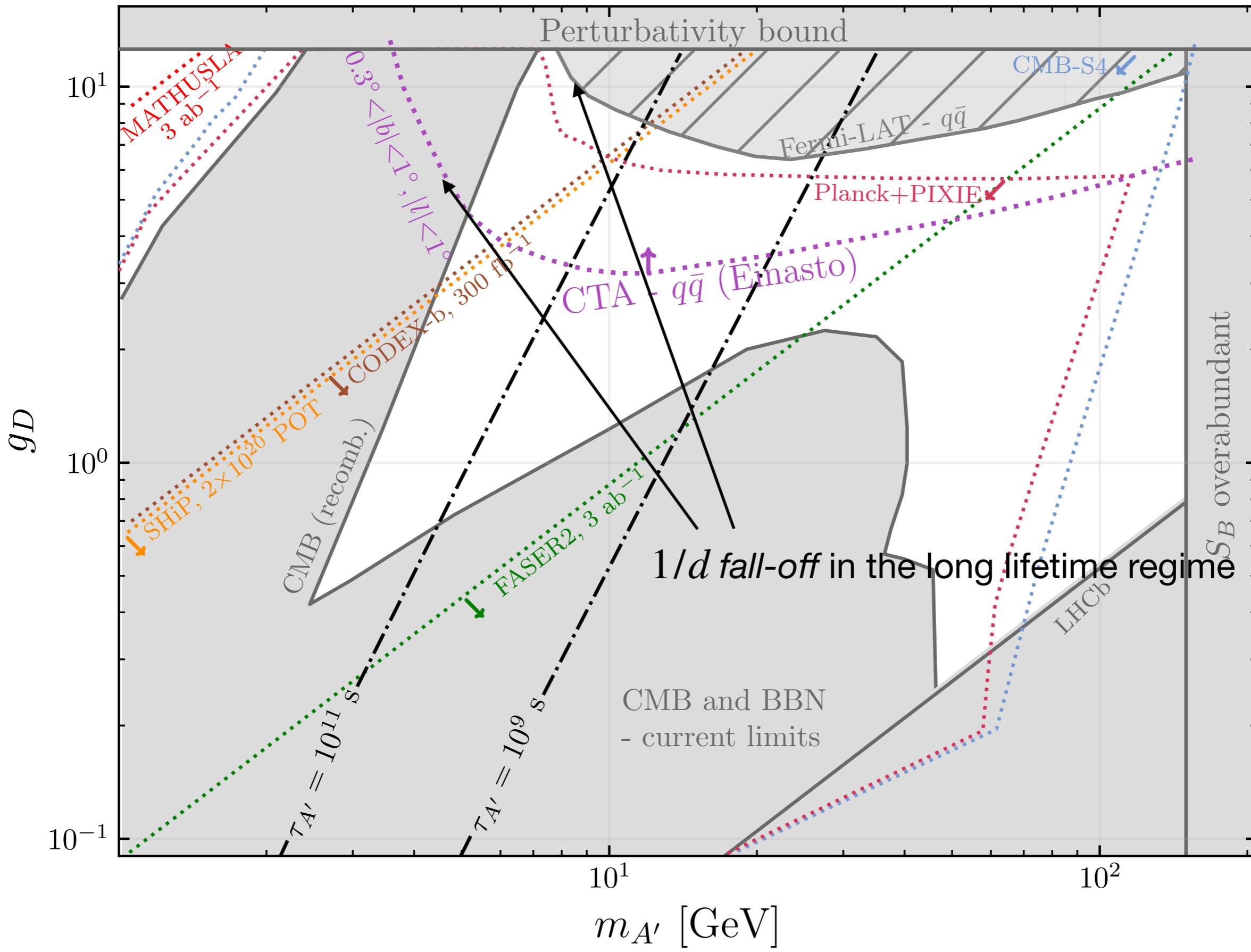
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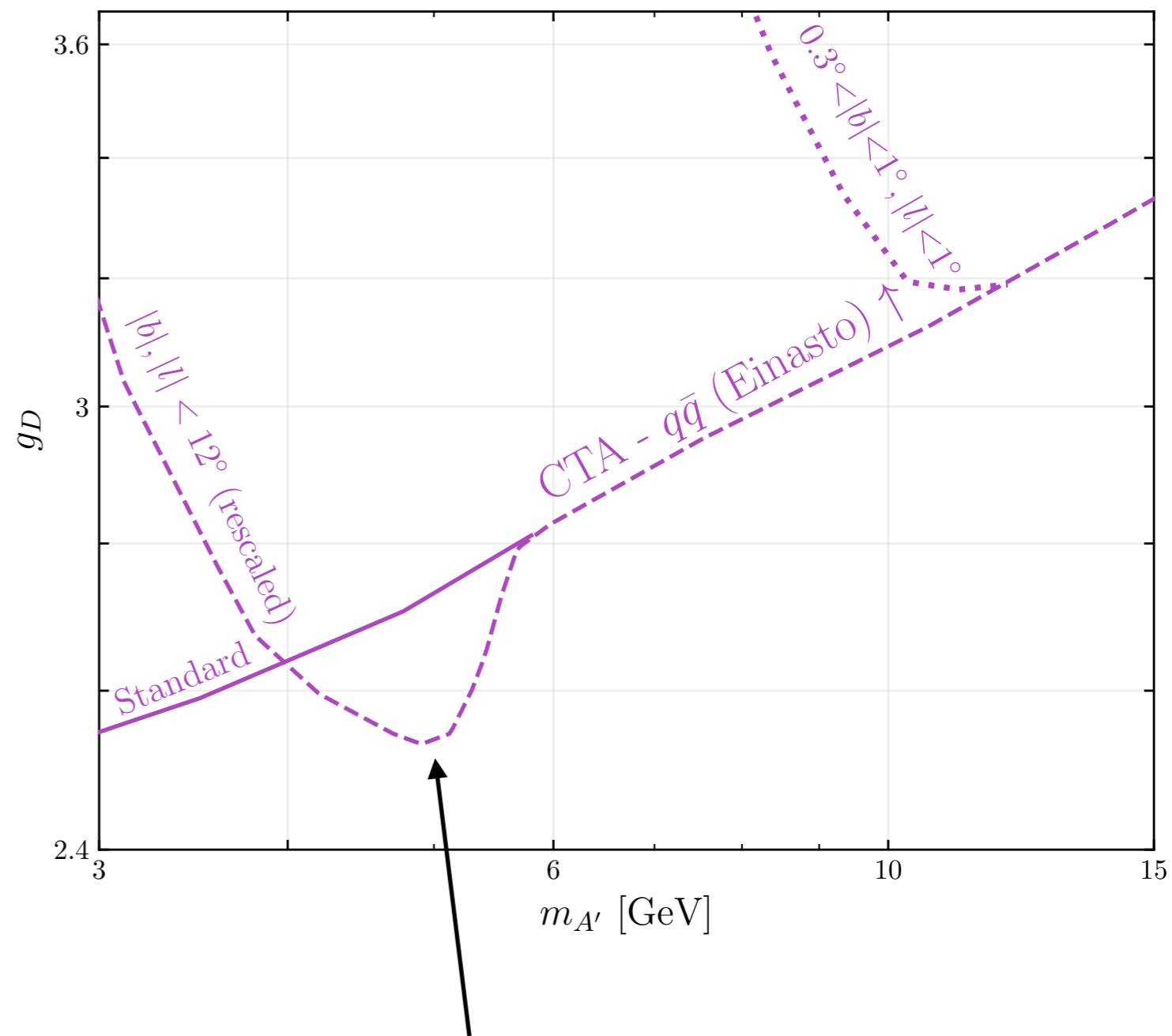
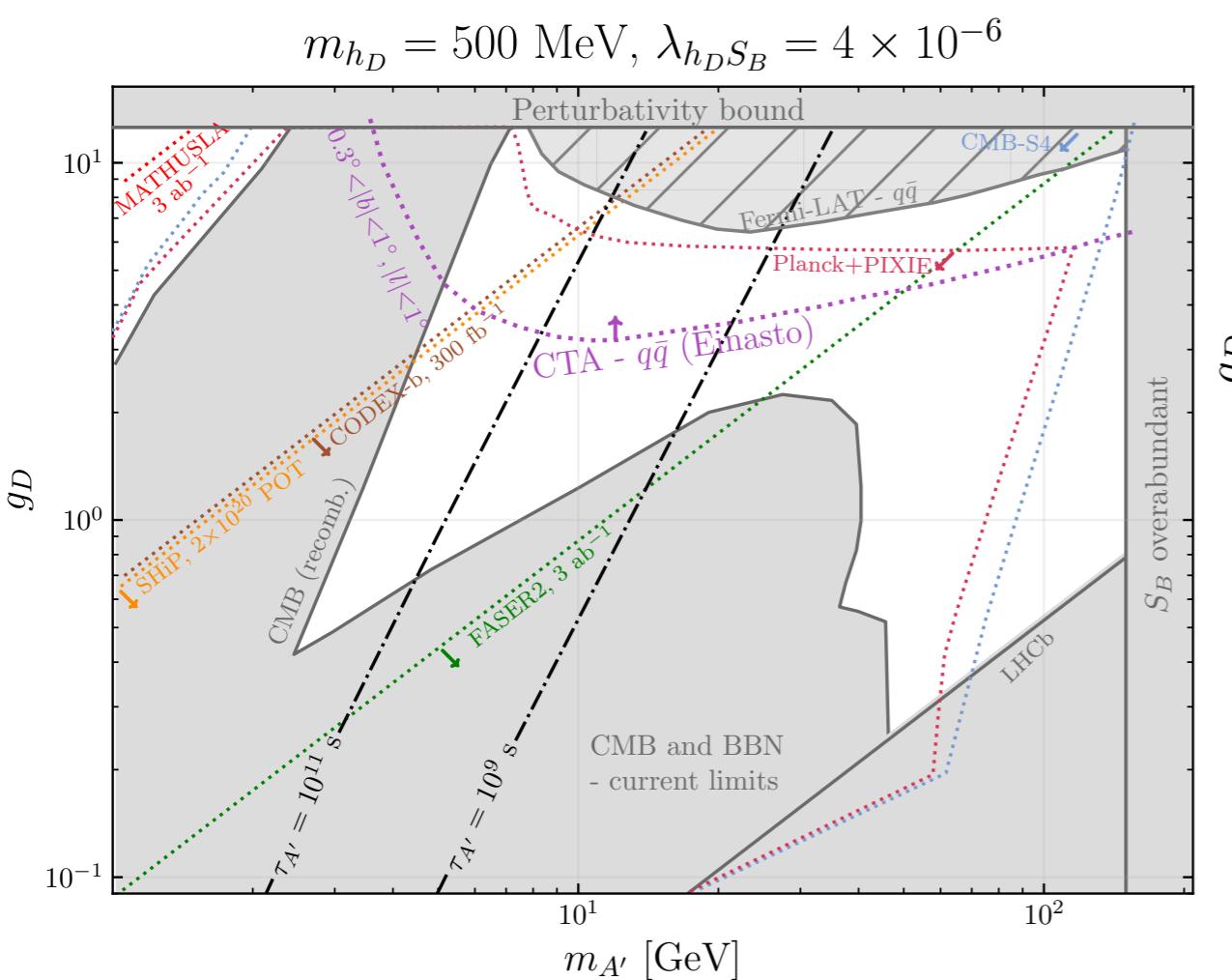


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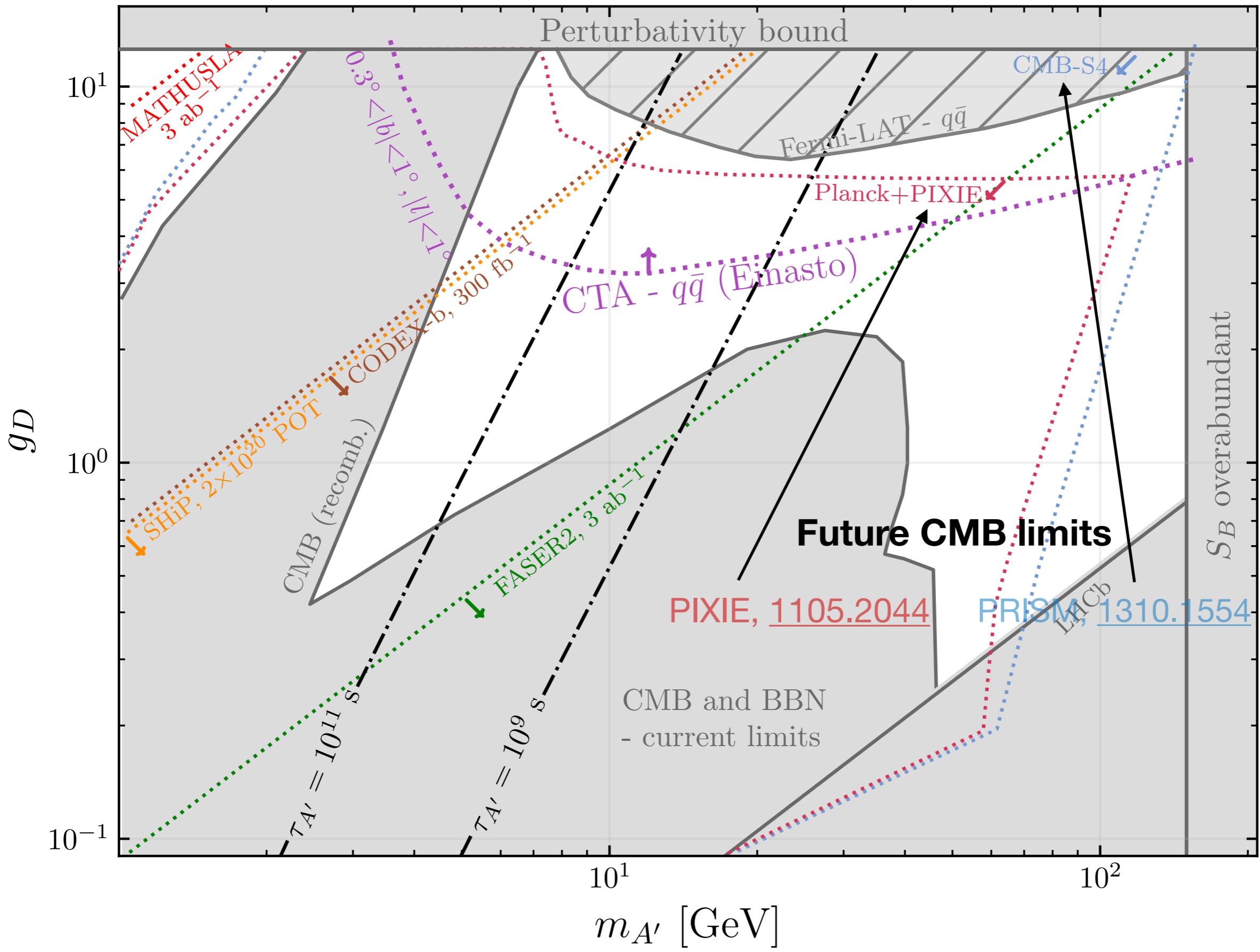
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peak due to “*diffusion from the GC*”

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Conclusions

- Combination of WIMP-like DM and light new physics is an interesting theoretical framework and a promising experimental target.
- We explored the possibility of indirect detection (ID) of long-lived particles in non-minimal dark Higgs-dark photon portal with heavy scalar DM.
- We found that **ID provides** important **coverage of the long-lived regime**, complementary to the *intensity frontier* searches.
- We observed several ***non-local effects in ID*** arising from the galactic spatial separation of LLP production and decay:
 - ❖ an additional contribution to the flux coming from the “*diffusion from the GC*”
 - ❖ the photon flux as a function of LLP decay length d
 - decreases linearly in the long lifetime regime due to the finite support of the dark matter density → evading constraints
 - decreases faster for dSph than for GC